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TO HIS EXCELLENCY FRANCIS THOMAS DE GREY, EARL  
COWPER, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

*Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.*

*Local Government Board,*

*Dublin, 16th April, 1881.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, the Local Government Board for Ireland, submit to your Excellency this our Ninth Annual Report under the statute 35 & 36 Vic., cap. 69, entitled "The Local Government Board (Ireland) Act, 1872."

1. We submit, in the first place, in continuation of similar returns in previous Annual Reports, a summary of weekly returns of persons relieved, in the workhouse and out of the workhouse, for fifty-two weeks from the week ended 14th February, 1880, to the week ended 5th February, 1881, both inclusive; and we give, in illustration of these and previous returns, the two indoor and outdoor diagrams,\* so as to afford a comparison of the fluctuations which have occurred in each year for the last seven years.

\* See diagrams in Appendix.

## SUMMARY of Weekly Returns of Persons relieved in Unions in Ireland, from the week

| Week ended<br>Sunday, | Returns of the Workhouses. |         |       |   |                 |              |                    |                            |                              |                            |  |             |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------|-------|---|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|-------------|
|                       | Able-bodied.               |         |       | Beds in Workhouse Hospitals.            |                 |              | All other Classes. |                            |                              | Total Number in Workhouse. | Average Cost per Head for Maintenance (inclusive of clothing). | Deaths.     |
|                       | Males                      | Females | Total | Healthy Children under 25 years of age. | Fever Patients. | Other Cases. | Total              | Males aged 15 and upwards. | Females aged 15 and upwards. |                            |  |             |
| 1880.                 |                            |         |       |   |                 |              |                    |                            |                              |                            |  |             |
| Feb. 14.              | 3,463                      | 5,006   | 8,469 | 13,416                                  | 1,079           | 20,517       | 21,696             | 7,594                      | 7,789                        | 15,343                     | 50,782   | 2 9 300 80  |
| 21.                   | 3,545                      | 5,152   | 8,697 | 13,567                                  | 1,078           | 20,721       | 21,719             | 7,626                      | 7,812                        | 15,448                     | 50,341   | 2 9 300 80  |
| 28.                   | 3,488                      | 5,078   | 8,466 | 13,397                                  | 1,071           | 20,614       | 21,683             | 7,512                      | 7,784                        | 15,296                     | 50,780   | 2 9 298 80  |
| Mar. 6.               | 3,413                      | 6,066   | 9,481 | 13,215                                  | 1,098           | 20,676       | 21,774             | 7,481                      | 7,811                        | 15,331                     | 50,806   | 2 9 307 81  |
| 13.                   | 3,731                      | 6,106   | 9,837 | 13,127                                  | 1,190           | 20,512       | 21,713             | 7,293                      | 7,783                        | 15,988                     | 53,178   | 2 9 296 81  |
| 20.                   | 3,220                      | 5,815   | 8,931 | 12,573                                  | 1,238           | 20,493       | 21,693             | 7,354                      | 7,648                        | 15,908                     | 53,009   | 2 9 290 81  |
| 27.                   | 3,232                      | 5,720   | 8,953 | 12,554                                  | 1,224           | 20,463       | 21,623             | 7,224                      | 7,635                        | 14,749                     | 57,863   | 2 9 213 81  |
| April 3.              | 3,379                      | 5,589   | 8,968 | 12,675                                  | 1,161           | 19,394       | 21,694             | 7,128                      | 7,912                        | 14,641                     | 46,930   | 3 0 206 81  |
| 10.                   | 3,778                      | 5,496   | 8,974 | 19,714                                  | 1,244           | 19,937       | 21,374             | 7,122                      | 7,495                        | 14,678                     | 57,100   | 2 10 208 81 |
| 17.                   | 3,563                      | 5,494   | 8,957 | 12,743                                  | 1,269           | 19,913       | 21,354             | 7,163                      | 7,499                        | 14,654                     | 57,210   | 2 10 207 81 |
| 24.                   | 3,263                      | 5,138   | 8,401 | 12,680                                  | 1,243           | 19,147       | 21,290             | 7,102                      | 7,802                        | 14,824                     | 57,492   | 2 10 204 81 |
| May 1.                | 3,780                      | 5,403   | 8,981 | 12,575                                  | 1,246           | 19,590       | 21,330             | 7,110                      | 7,460                        | 14,570                     | 56,966   | 2 9 244 81  |
| 8.                    | 3,781                      | 4,358   | 8,969 | 12,510                                  | 1,200           | 19,624       | 21,300             | 6,880                      | 7,082                        | 14,492                     | 53,981   | 2 9 246 81  |
| 15.                   | 3,767                      | 5,351   | 8,948 | 12,584                                  | 1,244           | 19,487       | 20,731             | 7,091                      | 7,328                        | 14,314                     | 55,414   | 2 9 204 81  |
| 22.                   | 3,625                      | 5,105   | 8,734 | 12,583                                  | 1,224           | 19,354       | 20,628             | 7,017                      | 7,244                        | 14,258                     | 54,906   | 2 9 203 81  |
| 29.                   | 3,387                      | 5,136   | 8,523 | 12,528                                  | 1,209           | 19,317       | 20,443             | 6,923                      | 7,801                        | 14,184                     | 54,388   | 2 9 204 81  |
| June 5.               | 3,200                      | 5,084   | 8,284 | 12,521                                  | 1,261           | 19,077       | 20,208             | 6,872                      | 7,745                        | 14,097                     | 51,260   | 2 9 247 81  |
| 12.                   | 3,438                      | 4,772   | 7,467 | 12,673                                  | 1,209           | 18,957       | 20,283             | 6,895                      | 7,986                        | 14,082                     | 50,946   | 2 9 248 81  |
| 19.                   | 3,427                      | 5,019   | 8,446 | 11,824                                  | 1,204           | 18,767       | 20,081             | 6,768                      | 7,157                        | 13,987                     | 53,377   | 2 9 228 81  |
| 26.                   | 3,346                      | 4,988   | 7,354 | 11,903                                  | 1,233           | 18,679       | 20,912             | 6,751                      | 7,120                        | 13,974                     | 53,942   | 2 9 246 81  |
| July 3.               | 3,349                      | 4,981   | 7,956 | 11,761                                  | 1,170           | 18,696       | 20,705             | 6,988                      | 7,075                        | 13,765                     | 52,542   | 2 9 225 81  |
| 10.                   | 3,367                      | 4,639   | 7,006 | 11,659                                  | 1,049           | 18,631       | 19,700             | 6,720                      | 7,099                        | 13,631                     | 52,030   | 2 9 200 81  |
| 17.                   | 3,100                      | 4,672   | 6,772 | 11,680                                  | 1,082           | 18,593       | 19,473             | 6,635                      | 7,112                        | 13,735                     | 51,803   | 2 9 215 81  |
| 24.                   | 3,192                      | 4,554   | 6,763 | 11,424                                  | 978             | 18,168       | 19,160             | 6,684                      | 6,987                        | 13,471                     | 50,924   | 2 9 203 81  |
| 31.                   | 3,207                      | 4,529   | 6,873 | 11,419                                  | 949             | 18,178       | 19,120             | 6,693                      | 6,993                        | 13,288                     | 50,888   | 2 9 211 81  |
| Aug. 7.               | 3,222                      | 4,517   | 6,829 | 11,293                                  | 930             | 18,074       | 18,964             | 6,303                      | 6,832                        | 13,132                     | 50,381   | 2 9 193 81  |
| 14.                   | 3,143                      | 4,389   | 6,450 | 11,087                                  | 913             | 17,713       | 18,626             | 6,143                      | 6,731                        | 12,864                     | 49,807   | 2 9 196 81  |
| 21.                   | 3,039                      | 4,318   | 6,370 | 10,836                                  | 886             | 17,568       | 18,467             | 6,040                      | 6,588                        | 12,538                     | 48,191   | 2 9 207 81  |
| 28.                   | 3,060                      | 4,198   | 6,258 | 10,745                                  | 820             | 17,304       | 18,135             | 5,907                      | 6,580                        | 12,447                     | 47,588   | 2 9 214 81  |
| Sept. 4.              | 1,900                      | 4,282   | 6,218 | 10,692                                  | 878             | 17,203       | 18,078             | 5,902                      | 6,003                        | 12,464                     | 47,482   | 2 9 180 81  |
| 11.                   | 2,355                      | 4,070   | 6,145 | 10,572                                  | 819             | 17,238       | 14,211             | 5,974                      | 6,013                        | 12,487                     | 47,015   | 2 9 174 81  |
| 18.                   | 2,121                      | 4,148   | 6,423 | 10,714                                  | 754             | 17,503       | 18,297             | 5,960                      | 6,588                        | 13,538                     | 47,328   | 2 9 205 81  |
| 25.                   | 2,155                      | 4,203   | 6,505 | 10,733                                  | 747             | 17,548       | 18,235             | 5,967                      | 6,033                        | 13,610                     | 48,148   | 2 9 201 81  |
| Oct. 2.               | 2,103                      | 4,389   | 6,491 | 10,736                                  | 745             | 17,456       | 18,172             | 5,865                      | 6,750                        | 13,595                     | 47,992   | 2 9 181 81  |
| 9.                    | 2,277                      | 4,429   | 6,729 | 10,788                                  | 748             | 17,419       | 18,177             | 5,903                      | 6,753                        | 12,716                     | 48,903   | 2 9 175 81  |
| 16.                   | 2,232                      | 4,473   | 6,707 | 10,634                                  | 764             | 17,748       | 18,450             | 6,006                      | 6,764                        | 13,293                     | 48,930   | 2 9 221 81  |
| 23.                   | 2,308                      | 4,585   | 6,876 | 10,913                                  | 810             | 17,753       | 18,383             | 6,050                      | 6,849                        | 12,944                     | 49,236   | 2 9 205 81  |
| 30.                   | 2,403                      | 4,617   | 7,053 | 11,033                                  | 814             | 18,034       | 18,828             | 6,214                      | 6,828                        | 13,112                     | 50,916   | 2 9 241 81  |
| Nov. 6.               | 2,003                      | 4,801   | 7,306 | 11,276                                  | 820             | 18,357       | 19,027             | 6,304                      | 6,969                        | 13,273                     | 50,899   | 2 9 255 81  |
| 13.                   | 2,010                      | 4,949   | 7,650 | 11,454                                  | 809             | 18,470       | 19,360             | 6,494                      | 6,944                        | 13,438                     | 51,785   | 2 9 256 81  |
| 20.                   | 2,791                      | 5,133   | 7,014 | 11,736                                  | 820             | 18,789       | 19,610             | 6,579                      | 7,188                        | 13,712                     | 53,981   | 2 9 216 81  |
| 27.                   | 2,389                      | 5,252   | 8,141 | 11,917                                  | 865             | 18,204       | 18,388             | 6,719                      | 7,229                        | 14,008                     | 53,555   | 2 9 241 81  |
| Dec. 4.               | 2,033                      | 5,210   | 8,168 | 11,928                                  | 857             | 18,564       | 19,821             | 6,807                      | 7,206                        | 14,173                     | 54,100   | 2 9 211 81  |
| 11.                   | 2,037                      | 5,292   | 8,237 | 11,912                                  | 859             | 18,565       | 19,822             | 6,900                      | 7,264                        | 14,230                     | 54,361   | 2 9 200 81  |
| 18.                   | 2,137                      | 5,288   | 8,337 | 11,947                                  | 851             | 19,020       | 19,867             | 7,047                      | 7,410                        | 14,487                     | 54,678   | 2 9 225 81  |
| 25.                   | 2,309                      | 5,379   | 8,587 | 11,183                                  | 813             | 18,248       | 19,341             | 7,036                      | 7,403                        | 14,631                     | 54,998   | 2 9 228 81  |
| 1881.                 |                            |         |       |   |                 |              |                    |                            |                              |                            |  |             |
| Jan. 1.               | 3,304                      | 5,615   | 8,933 | 12,263                                  | 818             | 18,938       | 19,852             | 7,038                      | 7,388                        | 14,496                     | 55,204   | 2 10 258 81 |
| 3.                    | 3,388                      | 5,617   | 8,935 | 12,257                                  | 849             | 19,347       | 20,185             | 7,104                      | 7,409                        | 14,613                     | 55,861   | 2 10 261 81 |
| 10.                   | 3,595                      | 6,616   | 9,213 | 12,367                                  | 869             | 20,105       | 21,008             | 7,237                      | 7,671                        | 14,748                     | 57,332   | 2 10 260 81 |
| 17.                   | 3,364                      | 6,761   | 9,625 | 12,675                                  | 867             | 20,773       | 21,082             | 7,354                      | 7,672                        | 15,039                     | 58,938   | 2 10 435 81 |
| 24.                   | 3,310                      | 6,731   | 9,541 | 12,736                                  | 870             | 21,076       | 21,946             | 7,323                      | 7,670                        | 15,002                     | 58,225   | 2 10 433 81 |
| Feb. 5.               | 3,093                      | 5,603   | 9,198 | 12,600                                  | 818             | 20,297       | 21,713             | 7,341                      | 7,583                        | 14,294                     | 58,337   | 2 9 234 81  |

### *In-door and Out-door Relief.*

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ended 14th February, 1880, to the week ended 5th February, 1881, both inclusive.

| OUT-LOOK RATES  |       |       |      |        |                 |       |      |        |                 |        |        |
|---|-------|-------|------|--------|-----------------|-------|------|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| No. of Persons under treatment<br>and those associated<br>with Workhouse under the 1st<br>and 4th rates, as at 22nd Dec., 1885. |       |       |      |        |                 |       |      |        |                 |        |        |
| No. of Persons under treatment<br>and those associated<br>with Workhouse under the 1st<br>and 4th rates, as at 22nd Dec., 1885. |       |       |      |        |                 |       |      |        |                 |        |        |
| No. of Persons under treatment<br>and those associated<br>with Workhouse under the 1st<br>and 4th rates, as at 22nd Dec., 1885. |       |       |      |        |                 |       |      |        |                 |        |        |
| Year  | Quar. | Total | Male | Female | Other<br>Gchts. | Total | Male | Female | Other<br>Gchts. | Total  | Rate   |
| 21  | 45    | 480   | 8    | 9      | 12              | 33    | 14   | 280    | 286             | 33,281 | 42,853 |
| 21  | 46    | 470   | 5    | 9      | 14              | 27    | 16   | 244    | 284             | 24,500 | 45,034 |
| 21  | 47    | 480   | 4    | 9      | 13              | 28    | 17   | 243    | 284             | 25,169 | 46,607 |
| 21  | 48    | 302   | 1    | 12     | 14              | 25    | 16   | 242    | 282             | 25,971 | 32,033 |
| 21  | 49    | 450   | 2    | 4      | 10              | 37    | 15   | 214    | 274             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 50    | 472   | 3    | 6      | 10              | 39    | 17   | 247    | 281             | 26,748 | 32,704 |
| 21  | 51    | 453   | 1    | 7      | 8               | 35    | 15   | 246    | 282             | 26,658 | 32,311 |
| 21  | 52    | 425   | 2    | 6      | 8               | 30    | 10   | 245    | 286             | 26,574 | 32,933 |
| 21  | 53    | 484   | 3    | 6      | 10              | 37    | 13   | 249    | 284             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 54    | 451   | 2    | 7      | 9               | 38    | 15   | 245    | 277             | 27,739 | 32,070 |
| 21  | 55    | 473   | 1    | 12     | 12              | 42    | 15   | 245    | 289             | 26,826 | 32,818 |
| 21  | 56    | 485   | 2    | 6      | 8               | 30    | 10   | 245    | 286             | 26,574 | 32,933 |
| 21  | 57    | 483   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 58    | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 59    | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 60    | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 61    | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 62    | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 63    | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 64    | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 65    | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 66    | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 67    | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 68    | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 69    | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 70    | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 71    | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 72    | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 73    | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 74    | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 75    | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 76    | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 77    | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 78    | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 79    | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 80    | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 81    | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 82    | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 83    | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 84    | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 85    | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 86    | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 87    | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 88    | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 89    | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 90    | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 91    | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 92    | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 93    | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 94    | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 95    | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 96    | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 97    | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 98    | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 99    | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 100   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 101   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 102   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 103   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 104   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 105   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 106   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 107   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 108   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 109   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 110   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 111   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 112   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 113   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 114   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 115   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 116   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 117   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 118   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 119   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 120   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 121   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 122   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 123   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 124   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 125   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 126   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 127   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 128   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 129   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 130   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 131   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 132   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 133   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 134   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 135   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 136   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 137   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 138   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 139   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 140   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 141   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 142   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 143   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 144   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 145   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 146   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 147   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 148   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 149   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 150   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 151   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 152   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 153   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 154   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 155   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 156   | 474   | 1    | 8      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 284             | 26,577 | 32,514 |
| 21  | 157   | 470   | 4    | 6      | 7               | 32    | 14   | 246    | 280             | 27,729 | 32,649 |
| 21  | 158   | 413   | 2    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 286             | 26,593 | 33,313 |
| 21  | 159   | 484   | 1    | 8      | 10              | 35    | 15   | 245    | 281             | 26,550 | 33,782 |
| 21  | 160   | 454   | 2    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 285             | 26,576 | 32,589 |
| 21  | 161   | 475   | 1    | 9      | 9               | 37    | 15   | 247    | 289             | 26,593 | 32,533 |
| 21  | 162   | 474   | 1    | 8      |                 |       |      |        |                 |        |        |

2. The following tables represent, in figures, the maximum, minimum, and average daily numbers shown in each diagram for the whole series of seven years:—

## RELIEF IN WORKHOUSE.

| —        | Maximum Numbers. | Date.             | Minimum Numbers. | Date.             | Average Daily Number. |
|----------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1874-75, | 52,110           | 28 February, 1874 | 49,883           | 29 August, 1874   | 47,318                |
| 1875-76, | 51,509           | 27 February, 1875 | 39,900           | 28 August, 1875   | 44,806                |
| 1876-77, | 45,459           | 11 March, 1876    | 30,769           | 26 August, 1876   | 43,235                |
| 1877-78, | 51,720           | 2 February, 1878  | 40,179           | 1 September, 1877 | 44,876                |
| 1878-79, | 54,218           | 8 February, 1879  | 42,960           | 24 August, 1878   | 47,394                |
| 1879-80, | 59,691           | 31 January, 1880  | 47,421           | 23 August, 1879   | 51,846                |
| 1880-81, | 60,341           | 21 February, 1880 | 47,402           | 4 September, 1880 | 53,796                |

## OUT-DOOR RELIEF.

| —        | Maximum Numbers. | Date.            | Minimum Numbers. | Date.              | Average Daily Number. |
|----------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1874-75, | 32,935           | 21 March, 1874   | 26,739           | 10 October, 1874   | 30,318                |
| 1875-76, | 35,151           | 29 March, 1875   | 26,357           | 18 September, 1875 | 30,246                |
| 1876-77, | 33,976           | 25 March, 1876   | 25,076           | 7 October, 1876    | 31,600                |
| 1877-78, | 37,163           | 9 February, 1878 | 30,363           | 6 October, 1877    | 33,517                |
| 1878-79, | 41,900           | 8 February, 1879 | 32,951           | 14 September, 1878 | 36,274                |
| 1879-80, | 47,418           | 7 February, 1880 | 35,502           | 11 October, 1879   | 39,629                |
| 1880-81, | 93,167           | 5 February, 1881 | 46,308           | 2 October, 1880    | 60,583                |

3. In our Annual Reports, dated 1876 and 1877, respectively we noticed a decrease in the average daily number of Workhouse Inmates for two years in succession.

In our Report for 1878, we were called on to report a change in the other direction; the average daily number of inmates being 1,441 more than in the preceding year, attributable, as we then observed, to the indifferent harvest of 1877, and to the inclemency and wetness of the subsequent season. In our Report for 1879, the average daily number of inmates showed an increase of 3,318 over that of the preceding year. In our Report for 1880 there was an increase of 3,952 in the average daily number of inmates over the preceding year, while in this Report the average daily number of inmates shows an increase of 1850 over last year.

The Out-door Relief average for the year 1880 was 3,355 over the preceding year, and the average for the present year is 21,254 over that of last year.

4. We described very fully in our last annual Report, dated the 17th of April, 1880, the measures that had been adopted to meet the exceptional distress which prevailed throughout the greater part of Ireland during the preceding winter, and we propose now to allude briefly to the action taken since April, 1880, in carrying out the arrangements which were then in operation, referring in the first instance to the period between April and August, when all relief under the Relief of Distress Act ceased for a time, and afterwards to the winter months of 1880, when

some further measures to meet poverty and want of employment again became necessary.

The gradual diminution in the grants obtained from charitable sources between the date of our last Report, and the month of August caused a greater strain on the resources of the Poor Law Unions than had been experienced during the winter months, and notwithstanding the employment provided by the expenditure of the sum of £398,827 which was issued by the Board of Works to landowners and sanitary authorities from April 17th to August 31st in respect of loans obtained on the terms mentioned in their notices of November 22nd, 1879, and January 12th, 1880, and notwithstanding the fact that £134,953 was advanced during the same period for baronial works passed at extraordinary presentment sessions, the applications to Boards of Guardians for relief were very numerous until the harvest work set in, and we found it necessary to authorize Boards of Guardians to put the provisions of the 3rd section of the Relief of Distress Act in force in twenty Unions, in addition to the twenty-eight named in our report of the 17th April, so that between the months of April and September these orders were in force from time to time in forty-eight Unions; we include in the Appendix to this Report a table containing a list of the Unions referred to, and the time for which each order was issued.

5. The distress which prevailed at that time was accompanied by an outbreak of fever in some of the Unions in the West and South of Ireland; it was at first alleged that this fever was of the same type as the fever which proved so fatal in the years 1847 and 1848, and which was commonly called "famine fever," but this was not found to be the case, the fever being described by our Medical Inspectors as typhus, typhoid, and of a mild continuous character, but not the relapsing fever from which the poor suffered in the years above referred to.

Having made very careful inquiry as to the origin and spread of the disease we ascertained that the exciting or immediate causes were, in most instances, contagion, and that where it had an independent origin it was generally attributable to overcrowding and want of cleanliness in the dwellings and surroundings of the poor.

Our attention was also drawn by our Inspectors to the fact that in districts where the fever was prevalent one of the predisposing or exciting causes had been the monotony of the diet; the staple article of food appeared to be Indian meal made into stirabout always cooked in the same way, while few were able to get flour, bread or potatoes; the power of resisting contagion was said to have been lowered by this circumstance, and as the germs were carried from house to house the disease was easily propagated. We, therefore, addressed a circular to the Boards of Guardians recommending them, when out-door relief was given, to vary the food as much as possible, substituting oatmeal for Indian meal on some days of the week, bread on other days, and to make such other change in the daily food as it might be in their power to effect, and we are glad to be able

to say that this suggestion was acted on in several Unions with good effect.

The Union of Swineford in the county Mayo was one in which the spread of fever appeared to be much more serious than in others, and we deemed it necessary to issue an order under the 149th section of the Public Health Act, making regulations for the speedy interment of the dead, for house-to-house visitation, for the provision of medical aid and hospital accommodation, and for the promotion of cleansing, ventilation, and disinfection, and for guarding against the spread of disease. A copy of the order which remained in force from the 14th of July, to the latter end of August will be found in the Appendix. These regulations were carried out under the supervision of the Vice-Guardians and Inspector of the Swineford Union, with the assistance of Dr. Nixon, a Medical Inspector employed specially for the purpose, and the fever abated towards the end of August, when no further special arrangements appeared to be necessary.

Having obtained authority from the Treasury to appoint temporarily two Medical Inspectors, we selected Dr. Woodhouse and Dr. Nixon, who rendered us valuable assistance; these gentlemen visited, in addition to Swineford Union, Dromore West and Tobecurry Unions in the county Sligo, Castlerea Union in the county Roscommon, Loughrea Union in the county Galway, and Newcastle Union in the county Limerick, where fever prevailed though not to so great an extent as in Swineford, and we publish in the Appendix some of their reports which give much interesting information on the subject.

6. The funds at the disposal of the Guardians derived from the poor rates were in some cases quite inadequate to meet the unusual expenditure occasioned by the exceptional relief afforded last year, and we therefore sanctioned loans under the provisions of section 5 of the Relief of Distress Act, and section 6 of the Relief of Distress Amendment Act, in the cases of 17 Unions, amounting to a sum of £31,996. A return containing the names of the Unions so assisted and the amount advanced in each case will be found in the Appendix.

We also append a return of the Unions in which grants were made under section 2 of the Relief of Distress Amendment Act to aid the Guardians in giving out-door relief, by which it will be seen that the money granted for that purpose amounted to a sum of £1,343 16s. 4d.\*

7. The duties of the Boards of Guardians during the months referred to were very onerous and responsible, and, although in many Unions the Guardians acted with much firmness and discretion, there were others in which they did not prove themselves equal to the emergency, and were unable to administer relief in a judicious and discriminating manner, or to manage the financial affairs of their Union satisfactorily. In the cases of three Unions, viz.:—Belmullet, Swineford, and Newport, all situated in the county Mayo, we deemed it right to exercise the powers vested in

\* A further grant of £60 was made while this Report has been going through the press.

us by the 18th section of the Irish Poor Relief Extension Act and to dissolve the Boards of Guardians and appoint paid officers to carry into execution the provisions of the Poor Law Acts ; the letters assigning our reasons for this step in each case are included in the Appendix.

8. We alluded in April last to the operation of the Seed Supply Act in Ireland, and to the advances made under that Act up to the date of our Report. We are now able to supply a complete return of the sums expended in the different Unions, or parts of Unions scheduled ; and we append a statement showing that Boards of Guardians were enabled to borrow money for the purpose of selling seed to the occupiers and cultivators of land in the whole of 131 Unions and in parts of 22 other Unions, and that the sum of £598,795 was advanced for that purpose.

Under the provisions of the 4th section of the Seed Supply Act the sum of £299,397 (being one-half of the loan), should have been collected and paid back to the Commissioners of Public Works this year, but we were empowered by the 11th section of the Relief of Distress Amendment Act to authorize the Guardians to postpone the making of the special rate for the payment of the seed loan in any Union or Electoral Division thereof for one year, if satisfied that it was expedient or necessary to do so. We, accordingly, after careful consideration of the circumstances of each case in which application for a postponement was made, authorized such postponement of the seed rate in the whole of 40 Unions, and in parts of 28 others ; the payments so postponed amounted to a sum of £150,210, and the amount to be collected and repaid to the Commissioners of Public Works this year has thus been reduced to £149,187.

A list of the Unions exempted this year from the payment of the first instalment of the seed debt will also be found in the Appendix.

9. We now come to the second period to which we alluded in paragraph 4, viz., to the winter and spring of 1880-1.

The harvest of the year 1880 proved to be, in general, far above the average, and the best that had been known in Ireland for many years. The potatoes grown from old seed had in some places failed, but the Champions were usually very good ; a plentiful supply of turf was saved, and, altogether, the general condition and prospects of the poor were good, and very much more favourable than had been the case at the same period of the year 1879.

In the month of October we called upon our Inspectors to furnish us with reports on the harvest and the state of the poor in their districts, and we include them in the Appendix, as well as further reports on the same subject obtained in January, 1881.

10. But notwithstanding the improved circumstances of the poor by reason of the abundant supply of food and fuel in the country, we regret to say that early in the winter we found that there was much want of employment in some parts of Ireland, and that this want extended to counties in which distress had not previously been so severely felt as in others.

This scarcity of employment was partly attributable to the unwillingness or inability of landowners to employ their labourers in consequence of the land agitation and the non-payment of rents, and in some measure to the fact that some farmers were not free from the debts incurred by them before the harvest, and others were disposed to spend as little money as possible in labour during disturbed and unsettled times; we, therefore, received very urgent representations from Boards of Guardians as to the distressed condition of the labourers thrown out of employment, and the necessity for adopting measures to relieve them.

11. This state of things having received very anxious consideration it was determined by the Government, with the sanction of the Treasury, to expend a portion of the balance of the sum provided by the Relief of Distress Act in baronial works to be presented for at Extraordinary Presentment Sessions, and your Excellency accordingly directed such sessions to be convened in forty-five baronies, and works passed thereat estimated to cost £51,782 were sanctioned. A list of these baronies is given in the Appendix. Some other works which had been passed at the Extraordinary Presentment Sessions held last summer but which had been suspended, or left over for further consideration, were also authorized and re-opened this winter at a cost of about £17,654, and by these means, as well as by the expenditure of the balances of the loans to landowners, much employment has been provided for the labouring classes in localities where it was urgently required.

The spring agricultural operations are now going on, and as the want of employment is, consequently, not so much felt, and it is desirable that the agricultural work should not be interfered with by the baronial works, the latter have been temporarily suspended in most of the Unions in Ireland; but our Inspectors have been instructed, if they find that the poor suffer from the suspension or postponement of any work which has been stopped or delayed in pursuance of the arrangement mentioned, to report to us specially on the subject in order that the question of proceeding at once with such work may be taken into consideration.

12. During the very severe weather which prevailed in the early part of this year the labouring classes suffered much privation, and we found it necessary to take advantage of the powers remaining with us under the 3rd section of the Relief of Distress Act, and to authorize out-door relief to the able-bodied classes in 75 Unions which are named in the Appendix; but the need for such exceptional relief no longer exists throughout the country, and there are now only two Unions in which orders under the Relief of Distress Act are in force, and one Union in which an order under the 2nd section of the Irish Poor Relief Extension Act has been issued in consequence of want of room in the workhouse. The orders under the Relief of Distress Act will expire during the present month, and as we have no longer power to make such orders, we

may, in future, only authorize out-door relief to the able-bodied classes under section 2 of the Irish Poor Relief Extension Act, that is when the workhouse is full, or when, by reason of fever or infectious disease it is unfit for the reception of poor persons; the administration of relief in Ireland under the Irish Poor Relief Acts has, therefore, now reverted to its normal state.

13. In our Annual Report presented to the late Lord Lieutenant in April last, we alluded to the fact that, while there had been much suffering from want during the previous winter, privation had not reached starvation in any Union. We are now glad to be able to inform your Excellency that the relief measures adopted and carried on since the date of the Report referred to have been as effectual as before in dealing with the destitution which has existed in the country, and in meeting the exceptional distress which prevailed in the months of June and July, last year, and in the commencement of the present year.

14. We now continue the series of recent statistics by repeating with one additional year the table showing the number of persons assisted by Boards of Guardians to emigrate, and the cost incurred for that purpose in each year, that is to say, for now thirty-one years past, ended on the 25th of March. The highest figure in this series was 4,386 in 1852; whereas we find in the year 1878 only 148 persons assisted to emigrate. But in the year ended 25th March, 1879, there has been an increase of 96 in the numbers, and of £212 16s. 8d. in the expenditure over the previous year; in the year ended 25th March, 1880, there has been an additional increase of 48 in the numbers, and of £170 3s. 10d. in the expenditure over the previous year; and in the year ended 25th March, 1881, there has been an increase of 1,022 in the numbers, and of £2,761 10s. 11d., in the expenditure over the previous year.

EMIGRATION under the Act 12 & 13 Vic., c. 104, sec. 26, dated  
1st August, 1849.

| Persons.                     | Amount authorized to be expended by Sealed Consent. | Number of Persons assisted to Emigrate. |        |                                 |        |       |
|------------------------------|---|---|--------|---------------------------------|--------|-------|
|                              |   | Men.                                    | Women. | Children under 18 years of age. | Total. |       |
| Aux. 1849, to 25 Mar., 1851, | 11,151 14 11  | 561                                     | 1,244  | 737                             | 2,532  |       |
| Year ended 25 March, 1852,   | 21,610 5 43   | 790                                     | 2,644  | 952                             | 4,206  |       |
| " "                          | 1853,   | 14,517 0 113                            | 492    | 2,218                           | 1,115  | 3,825 |
| " "                          | 1854,   | 12,446 17 6                             | 403    | 1,202                           | 995    | 2,601 |
| " "                          | 1855,   | 24,368 5 23                             | 150    | 2,847                           | 732    | 3,704 |
| " "                          | 1856,   | 3,618 6 9                               | 64     | 363                             | 463    | 830   |
| " "                          | 1857,   | 2,719 15 1                              | 76     | 383                             | 363    | 822   |
| " "                          | 1858,   | 4,177 10 18                             | 58     | 469                             | 302    | 839   |
| " "                          | 1859,   | 2,555 16 6                              | 37     | 270                             | 160    | 437   |
| " "                          | 1860,   | 1,729 19 2                              | 45     | 178                             | 141    | 364   |
| " "                          | 1861,   | 1,465 19 11                             | 44     | 178                             | 125    | 347   |
| " "                          | 1862,   | 523 17 4                                | 12     | 72                              | 38     | 122   |
| " "                          | 1863,   | 2,439 10 3                              | 41     | 347                             | 139    | 497   |
| " "                          | 1864,   | 4,770 4 5                               | 123    | 501                             | 345    | 962   |
| " "                          | 1865,   | 2,518 17 11                             | 93     | 315                             | 438    | 846   |
| " "                          | 1866,   | 3,425 9 11                              | 100    | 360                             | 669    | 1,120 |
| " "                          | 1867,   | 2,028 10 0                              | 66     | 230                             | 459    | 763   |
| " "                          | 1868,   | 1,963 9 6                               | 71     | 263                             | 455    | 619   |
| " "                          | 1869,   | 1,638 13 9                              | 71     | 203                             | 429    | 715   |
| " "                          | 1870,   | 1,935 12 5                              | 49     | 219                             | 449    | 717   |
| " "                          | 1871,   | 2,268 9 11                              | 53     | 226                             | 422    | 704   |
| " "                          | 1872,   | 2,082 3 10                              | 34     | 223                             | 339    | 636   |
| " "                          | 1873,   | 1,564 14 8                              | 44     | 172                             | 364    | 531   |
| " "                          | 1874,   | 2,246 3 3                               | 67     | 323                             | 474    | 864   |
| " "                          | 1875,   | 1,247 15 1                              | 36     | 192                             | 380    | 601   |
| " "                          | 1876,   | 891 0 6                                 | 33     | 97                              | 263    | 358   |
| " "                          | 1877,   | 456 17 4                                | 13     | 71                              | 116    | 260   |
| " "                          | 1878,   | 338 4 7                                 | 15     | 49                              | 84     | 143   |
| " "                          | 1879,   | 531 1 3                                 | 32     | 83                              | 129    | 244   |
| " "                          | 1880,   | 721 5 1                                 | 35     | 83                              | 146    | 292   |
| " "                          | 1881,   | 3,482 16 0                              | 210    | 558                             | 546    | 1,314 |
| Total,                       | £ 137,310 6 6                                       | 3,952                                   | 16,352 | 12,927                          | 33,331 |       |

15. The following is a tabulated account of admission to the workhouse during the last year, ending 29th September, in comparison with those of the twenty-one preceding years:—

| Year ended 29th Sept.<br>last. | Number<br>of<br>Persons<br>admitted<br>to the<br>work-<br>house<br>during<br>the<br>cor-<br>re-<br>spond-<br>ing<br>year<br>of the<br>Year. | Number of Persons admitted during the Year.                    |  |  |  | Number<br>of In-<br>mates<br>in the<br>Work-<br>house<br>during<br>the<br>Year. | Total<br>number<br>of Persons<br>admitted<br>to the<br>Work-<br>house<br>during<br>the<br>Year. | Number<br>of Deaths<br>in the<br>Work-<br>house<br>during<br>the<br>Year. |         |        |
|--------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|---------|--------|
|                                |   | Number admitted in Sickness,                                   |  |  | Number<br>admitted<br>who<br>were<br>not sick. | Total<br>number<br>admitted<br>during<br>the<br>Year.                           |   |   |         |        |
|                                |   | Suffering<br>from Fever<br>or other<br>contagious<br>Diseases. | Suffering<br>under<br>other<br>Diseases. | Suffering<br>from<br>accidental<br>Injury. |  |   |   |   |         |        |
| 1850,                          | 35,318  | 9,558  | 32,003                                   | 1,107                                      | 44,264   | 78,254  | 114,594   | 2,276   | 183,746 | 8,622  |
| 1851,                          | 35,296  | 8,107  | 36,556                                   | 1,625                                      | 47,598   | 55,312  | 122,360   | 4,655   | 179,543 | 9,577  |
| 1852,                          | 36,294  | 9,265  | 33,378                                   | 2,237                                      | 49,863   | 114,520   | 158,880   | 2,435   | 163,422 | 10,550 |
| 1853,                          | 41,295  | 11,183   | 41,355                                   | 2,236                                      | 58,264   | 105,433   | 223,637   | 2,815   | 261,807 | 12,710 |
| 1854,                          | 40,181  | 14,169   | 44,207                                   | 2,421                                      | 61,837   | 178,270   | 240,127   | 2,977   | 268,380 | 11,396 |
| 1855,                          | 16,037  | 15,737   | 45,473                                   | 2,260                                      | 61,061   | 151,127   | 222,521   | 2,859   | 261,147 | 12,765 |
| 1856,                          | 45,033  | 18,416   | 41,498                                   | 2,283                                      | 62,294   | 130,225   | 291,384   | 2,751   | 262,170 | 12,588 |
| 1857,                          | 44,887  | 13,563   | 33,297                                   | 2,343                                      | 51,562   | 120,144   | 184,587   | 2,650   | 262,104 | 11,461 |
| 1858,                          | 44,278  | 11,703   | 43,175                                   | 2,433                                      | 57,312   | 185,869   | 281,207   | 2,654   | 268,180 | 13,243 |
| 1859,                          | 45,513  | 11,209   | 41,634                                   | 2,564                                      | 55,467   | 185,266   | 141,848   | 2,397   | 286,925 | 12,370 |
| 1860,                          | 47,725  | 2,976  | 41,602                                   | 2,441                                      | 64,019   | 131,256   | 185,777   | 2,410   | 258,562 | 11,267 |
| 1861,                          | 45,912  | 8,155  | 39,095                                   | 2,510                                      | 49,740   | 131,268   | 183,145   | 2,282   | 258,429 | 10,697 |
| 1862,                          | 42,373  | 8,738  | 38,212                                   | 2,610                                      | 49,240   | 131,492   | 183,032   | 2,160   | 225,510 | 10,360 |
| 1863,                          | 40,031  | 16,243   | 39,326                                   | 2,540                                      | 52,569   | 137,239   | 183,748   | 1,585   | 232,256 | 11,345 |
| 1864,                          | 40,834  | 8,235  | 43,767                                   | 2,429                                      | 54,684   | 155,078   | 296,482   | 1,382   | 249,200 | 12,384 |
| 1865,                          | 41,445  | 8,402  | 33,363                                   | 2,573                                      | 50,403   | 155,500   | 289,965   | 1,344   | 263,195 | 10,735 |
| 1866,                          | 42,936  | 8,018  | 37,954                                   | 2,588                                      | 47,267   | 121,182   | 169,149   | 1,730   | 225,784 | 11,479 |
| 1867,                          | 40,985  | 8,576  | 38,579                                   | 2,585                                      | 45,533   | 95,076  | 140,601   | 1,643   | 182,749 | 10,693 |
| 1868,                          | 39,778  | 6,340  | 39,656                                   | 2,520                                      | 42,125   | 146,255   | 167,355   | 1,703   | 190,351 | 10,735 |
| 1869,                          | 40,711  | 8,110  | 43,150                                   | 2,781                                      | 54,061   | 151,634   | 258,645   | 1,736   | 245,362 | 11,018 |
| 1870,                          | 45,953  | 8,285  | 47,302                                   | 2,766                                      | 58,583   | 185,705   | 268,288   | 1,028   | 304,009 | 13,107 |
| 1871,                          | 48,196  | 8,655  | 50,717                                   | 2,829                                      | 62,600   | 254,829   | 317,238   | 1,229   | 367,253 | 13,478 |

It will be observed from the above that an increase of 4,026 has taken place in the total number admitted in sickness during the year; an increase of 54,924 in the number admitted who were not sick; an increase of 768 in the number suffering from fever and other dangerous contagious diseases, and an increase of 63,284 in the total number relieved.

16. The following is a statement of the result of the Weekly Summaries of In-door Relief, showing the average daily number of recipients of relief for each of the twenty-nine years ended 29th September, 1880:—

Average Daily Number in receipt of Relief during the year, Average Number of Deaths per Week, and Rate of Mortality.

| Year<br>ended<br>Sept. | Estimated<br>Popula-<br>tion. | All-in-beds. |          |        | Relief Children<br>under 16<br>years old. |          |        | All other Classes. |          |         | Total<br>No. in Work-<br>house. | Deaths in<br>Work-<br>house. | Average<br>Number<br>of Deaths<br>per week. | Rate of Mortality<br>per 1,000 Inmates. | Percentage of In-door<br>Taxes on Population. |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---|----------|--------|--------------------|----------|---------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|                        |                               |              |          |        |   |          |        |                    |          |         |                                 |                              |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                        |                               | Males.       | Females. | Total. | Males.                                    | Females. | Total. | Males.             | Females. | Total.  |                                 |                              |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1852                   | 6,495,901                     | 16,918       | 27,333   | 52,251 | 73,561                                    | 3,918    | 22,585 | 26,596             | 4,488    | 7,615   | 52,103                          | 166,891                      | 451   | 2.7                                     | 2.60  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1853                   | 6,296,288                     | 10,853       | 26,951   | 37,754 | 5,095                                     | 26,410   | 23,386 | 5,687              | 10,791   | 125,691 | 586                             | 3.0                          | 2.65  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1854                   | 6,165,369                     | 7,114        | 18,202   | 25,439 | 39,893                                    | 2,167    | 18,869 | 21,026             | 3,182    | 5,649   | 8,301                           | 58,190                       | 304   | 2.2                                     | 1.94  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1855                   | 6,037,898                     | 5,048        | 14,096   | 19,134 | 31,843                                    | 3,053    | 18,214 | 20,277             | 3,933    | 5,094   | 7,037                           | 70,211                       | 287   | 2.5                                     | 1.90  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1856                   | 5,907,388                     | 3,376        | 10,288   | 14,264 | 25,869                                    | 1,618    | 16,473 | 17,599             | 2,696    | 4,665   | 7,105                           | 61,333                       | 205   | 2.2                                     | 1.94  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1857                   | 5,841,853                     | 3,887        | 7,755    | 10,872 | 21,464                                    | 1,264    | 15,176 | 16,246             | 2,788    | 4,137   | 6,301                           | 50,685                       | 178   | 2.5                                     | 0.94  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1858                   | 5,801,103                     | 3,813        | 7,321    | 9,433  | 11,986                                    | 1,188    | 14,829 | 15,947             | 2,129    | 4,015   | 6,144                           | 45,790                       | 160   | 2.2                                     | 0.76  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1859                   | 6,009,113                     | 1,802        | 9,889    | 7,704  | 11,511                                    | 974      | 13,892 | 14,776             | 2,311    | 4,088   | 6,239                           | 40,280                       | 164   | 2.6                                     | 0.67  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1860                   | 5,788,729                     | 1,607        | 6,020    | 7,527  | 11,216                                    | 964      | 13,604 | 14,596             | 2,775    | 4,733   | 7,033                           | 41,271                       | 184   | 2.5                                     | 0.69  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1861                   | 5,758,564                     | 3,294        | 6,820    | 9,028  | 12,307                                    | 1,608    | 14,345 | 15,327             | 2,848    | 5,291   | 8,303                           | 45,139                       | 209   | 4.5                                     | 0.78  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1862                   | 5,794,674                     | 3,039        | 8,240    | 11,349 | 14,317                                    | 1,369    | 16,126 | 17,256             | 3,556    | 6,051   | 10,007                          | 53,028                       | 248   | 4.5                                     | 0.95  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1863                   | 5,821,213                     | 3,223        | 8,389    | 12,606 | 18,285                                    | 1,675    | 16,901 | 18,476             | 4,616    | 6,651   | 11,332                          | 57,319                       | 257   | 4.8                                     | 1.01  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1864                   | 5,721,810                     | 3,845        | 7,870    | 10,619 | 16,478                                    | 1,654    | 16,746 | 18,400             | 4,797    | 6,777   | 11,428                          | 56,135                       | 245   | 4.3                                     | 0.92  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1865                   | 5,675,608                     | 3,245        | 6,657    | 9,197  | 15,299                                    | 1,834    | 16,282 | 18,206             | 3,989    | 6,686   | 11,215                          | 51,317                       | 237   | 4.3                                     | 0.90  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1866                   | 5,618,625                     | 3,219        | 6,372    | 9,085  | 14,228                                    | 1,297    | 15,672 | 17,029             | 4,611    | 6,477   | 10,888                          | 50,289                       | 231   | 4.4                                     | 0.90  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1867                   | 5,697,196                     | 2,301        | 6,132    | 8,440  | 15,573                                    | 1,237    | 15,595 | 16,741             | 4,819    | 6,556   | 11,773                          | 51,184                       | 233   | 4.9                                     | 0.94  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1868                   | 5,632,285                     | 2,405        | 6,323    | 8,726  | 16,854                                    | 1,195    | 15,933 | 16,809             | 3,334    | 7,064   | 12,428                          | 53,130                       | 238   | 4.1                                     | 0.97  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1869                   | 5,688,317                     | 2,172        | 5,822    | 8,064  | 16,214                                    | 1,036    | 15,569 | 16,288             | 3,394    | 6,969   | 12,351                          | 52,247                       | 218   | 4.1                                     | 0.94  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1870                   | 5,610,454                     | 2,070        | 5,270    | 7,301  | 13,637                                    | 946      | 14,344 | 16,296             | 3,934    | 6,698   | 11,905                          | 49,189                       | 209   | 4.1                                     | 0.89  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1871                   | 5,602,739                     | 1,839        | 4,591    | 6,442  | 12,059                                    | 933      | 15,063 | 16,934             | 4,061    | 6,428   | 11,469                          | 46,000                       | 186   | 4.2                                     | 0.89  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1872                   | 5,568,169                     | 1,789        | 4,638    | 6,297  | 11,485                                    | 1,689    | 16,367 | 16,146             | 5,165    | 6,696   | 11,746                          | 45,753                       | 129   | 5.0                                     | 0.85  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1873                   | 5,344,153                     | 1,831        | 4,937    | 6,058  | 11,681                                    | 936      | 15,448 | 16,378             | 5,208    | 6,734   | 11,994                          | 46,711                       | 237   | 5.1                                     | 0.87  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1874                   | 5,314,844                     | 1,875        | 4,793    | 6,573  | 11,672                                    | 890      | 16,510 | 16,965             | 5,654    | 6,777   | 12,331                          | 46,981                       | 207   | 4.8                                     | 0.88  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1875                   | 5,307,494                     | 1,773        | 4,053    | 5,979  | 11,167                                    | 801      | 15,771 | 16,529             | 5,384    | 6,894   | 12,048                          | 45,930                       | 211   | 4.8                                     | 0.87  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1876                   | 5,321,618                     | 1,579        | 4,130    | 5,803  | 10,134                                    | 607      | 15,699 | 16,233             | 5,319    | 6,097   | 11,335                          | 43,632                       | 204   | 4.7                                     | 0.82  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1877                   | 5,388,006                     | 1,269        | 3,995    | 5,746  | 9,989                                     | 700      | 16,046 | 16,006             | 5,326    | 6,146   | 11,285                          | 42,334                       | 207   | 4.7                                     | 0.82  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1878                   | 5,351,000                     | 1,542        | 4,448    | 6,425  | 12,963                                    | 553      | 14,879 | 17,738             | 5,780    | 6,771   | 12,248                          | 47,022                       | 207   | 4.8                                     | 0.88  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1879                   | 5,332,287                     | 2,009        | 4,780    | 7,125  | 11,123                                    | 812      | 17,778 | 18,610             | 6,338    | 6,831   | 13,946                          | 40,366                       | 254   | 5.1                                     | 0.93  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1880                   | 5,337,100                     | 2,859        | 5,165    | 7,380  | 12,240                                    | 1,007    | 18,360 | 19,043             | 6,843    | 7,150   | 14,050                          | 54,246                       | 239   | 4.8                                     | 1.02  |  |  |  |  |  |

17. We here continue from last Report a form of table exhibiting for the last thirty-one years—the whole period, in fact, subsequent to the famine—the per-centages in each successive year of the several classes of workhouse inmates as compared with the whole number—

## [CLASSIFIED RETURN.]

**CLASSIFIED RETURN** of the Number of Inmates of Workhouses in Ireland, on the first Saturday of January; and the per-centages of the several classes on the total Number of Inmates.

| First Saturday<br>of January. | Inmates not in Hospital. |          |  |                   | Number<br>in Hospital. | Per-centages on Total Number. |          |  |   |     |     |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|--|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|---|-----|-----|
|                               | Aptlybed.                |          | Children<br>under<br>15 years<br>of age. | Other<br>classes. |                        | Aptlybed.                     |          | Children<br>under<br>15 years<br>of age<br>not in<br>Hospital. | Other<br>classes<br>not in<br>Hospital. |     |     |
|                               | Males.                   | Females. |  |                   |                        | Males.                        | Females. |  |   |     |     |
| 4 Jan., 1851                  | 22,173                   | 45,758   | 91,560                                   | 14,057            | 38,023                 | 206,304                       | 107      | 211  | 484                                     | 63  | 146 |
| 5 .. 1852                     | 16,194                   | 37,623   | 76,560                                   | 11,854            | 55,073                 | 163,248                       | 95       | 974  | 453                                     | 70  | 153 |
| 1 .. 1853                     | 13,281                   | 30,658   | 62,644                                   | 10,875            | 51,306                 | 138,704                       | 95       | 239  | 447                                     | 78  | 129 |
| 7 .. 1854                     | 9,229                    | 21,234   | 42,792                                   | 8,750             | 55,559                 | 104,504                       | 88       | 203  | 69                                      | 84  | 216 |
| 6 .. 1855                     | 6,197                    | 16,307   | 34,934                                   | 8,392             | 26,106                 | 85,236                        | 73       | 191  | 69                                      | 98  | 225 |
| 3 .. 1856                     | 4,646                    | 13,703   | 27,253                                   | 7,717             | 18,539                 | 72,447                        | 64       | 190  | 57                                      | 107 | 282 |
| 3 .. 1857                     | 2,552                    | 5,285    | 19,177                                   | 6,541             | 16,571                 | 52,183                        | 64       | 168  | 248                                     | 370 | 260 |
| 2 .. 1858                     | 2,863                    | 6,237    | 15,626                                   | 6,387             | 16,050                 | 43,208                        | 58       | 169  | 33                                      | 130 | 246 |
| 1 .. 1859                     | 2,247                    | 6,930    | 15,732                                   | 6,447             | 15,263                 | 43,509                        | 51       | 159  | 23                                      | 148 | 330 |
| 2 .. 1860                     | 2,154                    | 6,731    | 11,707                                   | 5,827             | 15,209                 | 43,518                        | 51       | 167  | 271                                     | 174 | 347 |
| 3 .. 1861                     | 2,628                    | 7,729    | 19,765                                   | 8,475             | 15,250                 | 47,362                        | 53       | 165  | 268                                     | 179 | 329 |
| 4 .. 1862                     | 3,095                    | 8,194    | 19,232                                   | 5,811             | 17,455                 | 55,168                        | 63       | 167  | 27                                      | 178 | 316 |
| 5 .. 1863                     | 4,020                    | 9,644    | 16,759                                   | 14,193            | 16,423                 | 60,038                        | 67       | 181  | 272                                     | 186 | 307 |
| 6 .. 1864                     | 2,638                    | 8,991    | 17,170                                   | 11,889            | 18,253                 | 59,867                        | 61       | 149  | 287                                     | 198 | 305 |
| 7 .. 1865                     | 2,393                    | 8,604    | 16,051                                   | 12,104            | 19,346                 | 59,498                        | 57       | 136  | 280                                     | 203 | 326 |
| 8 .. 1866                     | 2,561                    | 8,894    | 15,494                                   | 11,801            | 17,643                 | 54,435                        | 53       | 127  | 285                                     | 312 | 324 |
| 9 .. 1867                     | 2,615                    | 7,238    | 15,191                                   | 11,691            | 17,205                 | 54,930                        | 55       | 122  | 287                                     | 213 | 213 |
| 4 .. 1868                     | 2,908                    | 7,889    | 16,566                                   | 12,611            | 16,739                 | 56,063                        | 51       | 125  | 300                                     | 229 | 295 |
| 2 .. 1869                     | 2,332                    | 7,032    | 16,944                                   | 13,186            | 16,470                 | 56,034                        | 51       | 124  | 298                                     | 231 | 296 |
| 1 .. 1870                     | 2,055                    | 6,238    | 15,059                                   | 12,715            | 16,420                 | 53,687                        | 50       | 116  | 281                                     | 237 | 314 |
| 7 .. 1871                     | 2,408                    | 5,570    | 13,594                                   | 12,365            | 16,852                 | 50,815                        | 49       | 119  | 296                                     | 243 | 332 |
| 5 .. 1872                     | 2,565                    | 5,357    | 13,421                                   | 12,560            | 16,555                 | 48,758                        | 46       | 107  | 253                                     | 282 | 340 |
| 4 .. 1873                     | 2,281                    | 5,447    | 12,860                                   | 12,025            | 17,023                 | 49,866                        | 47       | 109  | 245                                     | 253 | 342 |
| 3 .. 1874                     | 2,385                    | 5,989    | 13,163                                   | 11,777            | 16,585                 | 49,192                        | 46       | 107  | 247                                     | 250 | 379 |
| 2 .. 1875                     | 2,333                    | 5,190    | 13,187                                   | 12,883            | 17,212                 | 49,855                        | 47       | 124  | 245                                     | 229 | 345 |
| 3 .. 1876                     | 2,083                    | 4,580    | 10,974                                   | 11,980            | 16,597                 | 46,214                        | 45       | 59   | 237                                     | 252 | 349 |
| 6 .. 1877                     | 2,157                    | 4,339    | 10,555                                   | 11,347            | 16,184                 | 45,762                        | 46       | 96   | 270                                     | 201 | 387 |
| 5 .. 1878                     | 2,516                    | 4,872    | 11,176                                   | 12,925            | 18,903                 | 49,368                        | 51       | 99   | 226                                     | 223 | 366 |
| 4 .. 1879                     | 2,913                    | 5,118    | 11,288                                   | 13,503            | 19,083                 | 51,754                        | 54       | 93   | 279                                     | 256 | 362 |
| 3 .. 1880                     | 3,009                    | 5,769    | 15,123                                   | 14,735            | 20,319                 | 57,485                        | 61       | 10-0   | 218                                     | 237 | 344 |
| 1 .. 1881                     | 3,108                    | 6,813    | 15,252                                   | 14,426            | 19,853                 | 50,204                        | 60       | 10-0   | 220                                     | 201 | 319 |

18. We here subjoin a tabular statement showing, from month to month, the number of "night-lodgers," a term corresponding to "casuals" in England, for the past twelve months, in continuation of a similar table in last Report.

#### RETURN of NIGHT-LODGERS or CASUALS relieved.

| Week ended         | Number relieved during the week. |          |                    |        | Number in Workhouse at close of the week. |          |                    |        |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------|--------------------|--------|---|----------|--------------------|--------|
|                    | Males.                           | Females. | Children under 15. | Total. | Males.                                    | Females. | Children under 15. | Total. |
| 6th March, 1860,   | 2,664                            | 570      | 412                | 3,646  | 442                                       | 118      | 76                 | 636    |
| 3rd April,         | 2,921                            | 605      | 470                | 3,996  | 498                                       | 146      | 192                | 744    |
| 1st May,           | 3,156                            | 764      | 590                | 4,510  | 437                                       | 140      | 112                | 680    |
| 5th June,          | 2,372                            | 659      | 572                | 3,603  | 383                                       | 141      | 122                | 616    |
| 3rd July,          | 2,003                            | 626      | 561                | 3,200  | 334                                       | 125      | 105                | 584    |
| 7th August,        | 2,300                            | 635      | 611                | 3,566  | 329                                       | 142      | 128                | 596    |
| 4th September,     | 1,927                            | 706      | 563                | 3,196  | 282                                       | 134      | 126                | 512    |
| 2nd October,       | 2,044                            | 627      | 548                | 3,519  | 257                                       | 125      | 120                | 503    |
| 6th November,      | 2,440                            | 632      | 584                | 3,684  | 360                                       | 158      | 136                | 658    |
| 4th December,      | 2,111                            | 510      | 449                | 3,070  | 329                                       | 124      | 111                | 564    |
| 1st January, 1861, | 2,154                            | 492      | 310                | 2,966  | 333                                       | 115      | 80                 | 520    |
| 5th February,      | 2,545                            | 479      | 383                | 3,407  | 402                                       | 119      | 101                | 623    |
| 5th March,         | 2,692                            | 537      | 419                | 3,555  | 323                                       | 116      | 80                 | 529    |

19. As part of the statistics, which are brought up very nearly to the date of this Report, the following table exhibits in the accustomed form:—

CLASSIFICATION OF Causes of Death in Workhouses, from 24th January, 1880,  
to 22nd January, 1881.

| DISEASE DEATHS.                            | In the Four Weeks ended |           |            |          |           |           |          |           |          |           |          |           | Previous Year. |        |        |
|--|-------------------------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------------|--------|--------|
|  | 2nd Feb.                | 3rd March | 17th April | 10th May | 10th June | 19th July | 5th Aug. | 4th Sept. | 2nd Oct. | 29th Oct. | 5th Nov. | 12th Dec. | 19th Dec.      | Total. |        |
| Age, .                                     | 233                     | 273       | 306        | 280      | 188       | 191       | 165      | 165       | 141      | 182       | 200      | 166       | 215            | 2,394  | 2,946  |
| Apoplexy, .                                | 4                       | 5         | 9          | 4        | 5         | 10        | 7        | 4         | 4        | 7         | 7        | 5         | 11             | 52     | 122    |
| Asthma, .                                  | 14                      | 8         | 7          | 9        | 5         | 2         | 5        | 6         | 2        | 3         | 11       | 8         | 10             | 94     | 166    |
| Atrphy, .                                  | 137                     | 110       | 112        | 129      | 92        | 89        | 93       | 85        | 73       | 72        | 84       | 79        | 119            | 1,260  | 1,283  |
| Brain Disease, .                           | 41                      | 43        | 50         | 35       | 52        | 28        | 19       | 28        | 33       | 28        | 36       | 31        | 34             | 406    | 456    |
| Cancer, .                                  | 37                      | 29        | 15         | 17       | 18        | 18        | 17       | 16        | 12       | 23        | 19       | 19        | 23             | 339    | 221    |
| Childbirth, .                              | 3                       | 5         | 5          | 4        | —         | 1         | 3        | —         | 1        | 2         | 1        | 2         | 1              | 28     | 28     |
| Children, .                                | —                       | —         | —          | —        | —         | —         | —        | 1         | 1        | 1         | —        | —         | —              | 3      | —      |
| Consumption, .                             | 97                      | 103       | 154        | 86       | 92        | 93        | 72       | 60        | 46       | 65        | 58       | 63        | 60             | 956    | 877    |
| Convulsions, .                             | 25                      | 28        | 27         | 32       | 28        | 18        | 20       | 26        | 16       | 19        | 23       | 13        | 26             | 269    | 226    |
| Cramp, .                                   | 5                       | 2         | 6          | 3        | 1         | 2         | —        | 1         | 2        | 2         | 2        | 2         | 3              | 33     | 22     |
| Diarrhoea, .                               | 37                      | 28        | 31         | 28       | 34        | 26        | 93       | 40        | 62       | 38        | 29       | 17        | 39             | 457    | 411    |
| Dropsy, .                                  | 23                      | 27        | 35         | 25       | 34        | 18        | 25       | 25        | 14       | 23        | 17       | 14        | 19             | 298    | 241    |
| Dysentery, .                               | 2                       | 6         | 8          | 2        | 6         | 5         | 4        | 4         | 10       | 8         | 5        | 1         | 8              | 53     | 44     |
| Dyspepsia, .                               | 7                       | 2         | 2          | 6        | 5         | 1         | 5        | 2         | 2        | 2         | 4        | 1         | 4              | 35     | 19     |
| Epilepsy, .                                | 9                       | 14        | 6          | 5        | 5         | 3         | 2        | 15        | 9        | 7         | 7        | 8         | 7              | 95     | 100    |
| Fever, .                                   | 45                      | 69        | 47         | 70       | 74        | 95        | 53       | 47        | 44       | 48        | 48       | 50        | 45             | 758    | 706    |
| Gangrene, .                                | 3                       | 2         | 5          | 7        | 3         | 5         | 4        | 1         | 5        | 4         | 4        | 5         | 3              | 52     | 63     |
| Hect Disease, .                            | 53                      | 42        | 43         | 38       | 34        | 29        | 29       | 44        | 29       | 38        | 33       | 28        | 38             | 497    | 458    |
| Hooping Cough, .                           | 17                      | 9         | 13         | 7        | 3         | 2         | 1        | 1         | 1        | 2         | 2        | 2         | 4              | 63     | 66     |
| Inflammation or other disease of Bowels, . | 10                      | 13        | 25         | 22       | 16        | 21        | 23       | 25        | 24       | 13        | 21       | 15        | 13             | 231    | 192    |
| Kidneys, .                                 | 13                      | 10        | 14         | 10       | 14        | 14        | 4        | 7         | 10       | 9         | 6        | 11        | 10             | 131    | 129    |
| Liver, .                                   | 6                       | 13        | 14         | 14       | 8         | 8         | 8        | 8         | 15       | 15        | 6        | 4         | 5              | 125    | 141    |
| Lungs, .                                   | 284                     | 246       | 231        | 160      | 197       | 114       | 151      | 95        | 91       | 120       | 173      | 157       | 258            | 2,323  | 2,782  |
| Menstr., .                                 | 2                       | 25        | 5          | 6        | 10        | 8         | 8        | 18        | 2        | 4         | 28       | 15        | 13             | 61     | —      |
| Paroxysm, .                                | 25                      | 24        | 29         | 27       | 29        | 13        | 96       | 30        | 22       | 23        | 38       | 28        | 43             | 379    | 411    |
| Pneum., .                                  | —                       | 1         | 2          | 1        | —         | —         | —        | 1         | 2        | 1         | —        | —         | 14             | 27     | —      |
| Rheumatism, .                              | 6                       | 7         | 8          | 9        | 3         | 2         | 9        | 6         | 10       | 9         | 6        | 11        | 23             | 104    | —      |
| Scarlatina, .                              | 8                       | 11        | 9          | 7        | 10        | 7         | 1        | 12        | 11       | 20        | 14       | 9         | 6              | 125    | 103    |
| Sore Throat, .                             | 10                      | 12        | 9          | 12       | 15        | 10        | 3        | 7         | 8        | 7         | 5        | 13        | 15             | 139    | 136    |
| Small-pox, .                               | 6                       | 7         | 10         | 12       | 16        | 24        | 15       | 3         | 1        | 3         | —        | —         | 97             | 112    | —      |
| Uterus, .                                  | 6                       | 12        | 3          | 6        | 7         | 11        | 9        | 5         | 4        | 7         | 11       | 6         | 6              | 93     | 106    |
| Other Diseases, .                          | 31                      | 37        | 34         | 26       | 16        | 22        | 25       | 18        | 33       | 26        | 12       | 14        | 20             | 293    | 284    |
| Total, .                                   | 1,247                   | 1,385     | 1,266      | 1,192    | 1,030     | 958       | 729      | 795       | 764      | 948       | 829      | 819       | 1,342          | 12,940 | —      |
| Previous year,                             | 1,443                   | 1,225     | 1,222      | 1,087    | 910       | 807       | 728      | 726       | 656      | 770       | 933      | 1,423     | 1,313          | —      | 13,144 |

The total number of deaths in the workhouses in the fifty-two weeks comprised in the Table has been 12,940. In the corresponding Table in the last Annual Report the total number of deaths was 13,144; so that there has been a decrease of 204 deaths, as compared with the number last year.

Deaths by fever were 758, as against 705; by lung disease, 2,323, as against 2,742; and deaths by small-pox 97, as against 112 in last year.

The number of orphans and deserted children put out to nurse from the Workhouses in Ireland, under the provisions of the Act 39 and 40 Vic, c. 38, extending the legal age from 10 years to 13 years, on the 5th February last was 2,243, an increase of 166 over the number in the preceding year.

## FINANCIAL STATISTICS OF YEAR ENDED 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1880.

20. We now proceed to the statistics arising out of the accounts of the Unions for the year ended 29th September, 1880.

We deal in the first place with Poor Relief Expenditure.

| Year ended with<br>September. | Net<br>Annual<br>Value, | Poor Rate<br>lodged, | Poor Relief Expenditure during the Year. |                         |  |  |                                |         | Number relieved.      |            |  |         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|--|-------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|------------|--|---------|
|                               |                         |                      | In-Main-<br>tenance<br>and<br>Clothing.  | Out-<br>door<br>Relief. | Cost of Relief<br>in kind and<br>Accruing out<br>of Union Re-<br>serves. | Salaries<br>and<br>Rations<br>of Officers. | All<br>other<br>Ex-<br>penses. | Total.  | In<br>Works<br>House. | On<br>Dole | In<br>Mind<br>and Deaf<br>and Dumb<br>Asylums. |         |
| 1880,                         | £15,729,454             | £1,058,568           | £48,710                                  | £153,586                | £12,049  | £188,333                                   | £40,329                        | £50,949 | 297,354               | 182,778    | 7,472  | 340,576 |
| 1879,                         | £13,658,913             | £1,011,888           | £448,906                                 | £117,375                | £11,238  | £189,140                                   | £44,876                        | £47,958 | 304,668               | 186,420    | 5,557  | 341,242 |
| Increase,<br>Decrease,        | 61,541                  | 16,672               | 37,716                                   | 36,311                  | -  | 1,203                                      | 6,363                          | 82,012  | 53,383                | 55,222     | -  | 158,622 |

From the above table it will be seen that there has been an increase of £37,774 in "in-maintenance and clothing;" an increase of £36,311 in "out-door relief;" an increase of £361 in cost of "deaf, dumb, and blind;" an increase of £1,203 in "salaries and rations of officers," and an increase of £6,363, in "all other expenses," making a total increase of £82,012. The increase in the total number relieved has been 158,622.

## TREASURY SUBSIDIES.

21. The following is a statement of the Parliamentary Grant for Medical and Educational purposes, and for Salaries under the "Public Health (Ireland) Act," for the year ended 25th March 1880:—

|  | Amount allowed for<br>the Year. |
|--|---------------------------------|
|  | £ s. d.                         |
| Medical purposes, . . . . .                              | 72,814 11 4                     |
| Educational purposes, . . . . .                          | 9,551 0 5                       |
| <br>   |                                 |
| Total for Medical and Educational<br>purposes, . . . . . | 82,365 11 9                     |
| For Salaries under Public Health<br>Act, . . . . .       | 13,848 14 2                     |
| <br>   |                                 |
| Total, . . . . .   | 96,214 5 11                     |

The total amount allowed under the Parliamentary Grant for Medical and Educational purposes for the year ended 25th March, 1880, namely, £82,365 11s. 9d., is £1,846 6s. 6d. more than the amount for the previous year.

The amount for Salaries under Public Health (Ireland) Act, namely, £13,848 14s. 2d., is £141 4s. 7d. more than for the previous year.

## EXPENDITURE FOR ALL PURPOSES FOR TWENTY-ONE YEARS PAST.

[STATEMENT.]

23. Statement of the Annual Collection and Expenditure of Poor Rates for twenty-one years, ended on the 29th September 1890; showing the Net Annual Value of Property rated, the Amount of Poor Rate collected, and the Expenditure under the Poor Relief and Medical Charities Acts, &c., for each year ended 29th September, from 1860 to 1890, inclusive.

| Year ended<br>31st Septem-<br>ber, | Net Annual<br>Value of<br>Property<br>rated, | Amount<br>of<br>Poor Rate<br>collected, | Expenditure for Relief of the Poor.              |  |  |  | Expenditure under<br>Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. |  |  |  | Expenditure under<br>Medical<br>Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. |  |  |  | Expenditure under<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. |  |  |  | Expenditure under<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. |  |  |  |     |    |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|-----|----|
|                                    |  |   | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor.                      | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor.                                 | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor.  | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor.  | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. | Charities<br>and<br>Relief<br>of<br>the<br>Poor. |     |    |
| 1860, -                            | 12,209,029                                   | 568,380                                 | 272,612  | 2  | 5,514  | -  | 62,344  | 43,491   | 454,531  | 161,347  | -  | -  | -  | -  | 2   | 2  | 2  | 2  | 2   | 2  | 2  | 2  | 2   |    |
| 1861, -                            | 12,442,510                                   | 584,540                                 | 257,970  | 9,075  | -  | 94,443   | 94,681  | 416,759  | 164,621  | -  | -  | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 535,355  | 0  | 0   |    |
| 1862, -                            | 12,557,485                                   | 605,715                                 | 373,216  | 14,750   | -  | 95,502   | 35,321  | 570,780  | 166,650  | 117  | -  | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 621,474  | 0  | 10  |    |
| 1863, -                            | 12,632,539                                   | 733,843                                 | 309,737  | 18,373   | 4,829  | 96,923   | 105,921   | 605,981  | 109,306  | 1,311  | -  | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 605,776  | 0  | 114 |    |
| 1864, -                            | 12,754,894                                   | 744,894                                 | 368,782  | 21,473   | 4,694  | 87,654   | 101,912   | 595,165  | 114,055  | 635  | 22,166   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 716,623  | 0  | 114 |    |
| 1865, -                            | 12,935,163                                   | 748,492                                 | 365,100  | 25,355   | 6,938  | 99,402   | 103,944   | 600,549  | 117,058  | 714  | 14,550   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 734,218  | 0  | 114 |    |
| 1866, -                            | 12,989,026                                   | 749,757                                 | 371,365  | 28,740   | 6,178  | 101,613  | 102,931   | 611,921  | 116,516  | 421  | 12,892   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 731,052  | 0  | 114 |    |
| 1867, -                            | 13,045,725                                   | 762,614                                 | 410,269  | 40,075   | 6,144  | 106,603  | 105,623   | 676,776  | 114,110  | 1,401  | 12,779   | 15,100   | 298  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 754,657  | 0  | 114 |    |
| 1868, -                            | 13,117,769                                   | 840,670                                 | 438,812  | 44,705   | 6,280  | 108,781  | 110,830   | 707,546  | 121,963  | 2,650  | 12,452   | 3,962  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 824,449  | 1  | 0   |    |
| 1869, -                            | 13,153,499                                   | 815,400                                 | 403,255  | 63,184   | 6,695  | 111,091  | 106,630   | 675,894  | 123,710  | 2,439  | 12,623   | 3,295  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 837,885  | 1  | 1   |    |
| 1870, -                            | 13,183,986                                   | 758,845                                 | 301,361  | 58,181   | 7,005  | 113,467  | 106,684   | 688,292  | 128,936  | 1,606  | 12,933   | 3,326  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 817,772  | 1  | 0   |    |
| 1871, -                            | 13,239,304                                   | 739,053                                 | 392,506  | 69,744   | 7,223  | 117,824  | 106,266   | 615,650  | 125,003  | 1,712  | 12,835   | 4,845  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 815,973  | 1  | 0   |    |
| 1872, -                            | 13,329,154                                   | 748,586                                 | 401,040  | 80,477   | 9,343  | 124,109  | 114,491   | 729,531  | 141,648  | 3,973  | 13,025   | 6,439  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 840,133  | 1  | 0   |    |
| 1873, -                            | 13,400,298                                   | 856,204                                 | 445,550  | 91,134   | 7,910  | 125,120  | 112,616   | 796,560  | 139,176  | 3,727  | 13,014   | 6,775  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | 894,838  | 1  | 14  |    |
| 1874, -                            | 13,440,553                                   | 941,922                                 | 457,944  | 53,537   | 9,401  | 126,769  | 120,381   | 817,231  | 140,522  | 4,613  | 12,201   | 7,792  | 10,792   | 6,182  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | 939,736  | 1   | 24 |
| 1875, -                            | 13,485,500                                   | 930,977                                 | 415,173  | 84,775   | 8,390  | 123,673  | 126,541   | 771,553  | 141,242  | 4,445  | 12,497   | 32,934   | 2,540  | 9,615  | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | 1,001,938  | 1   | 24 |
| 1876, -                            | 13,512,652                                   | 930,613                                 | 399,097  | 87,403   | 8,040  | 120,726  | 129,092   | 768,155  | 141,463  | 4,722  | 12,675   | 39,675   | 13,618   | 10,384   | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | 975,044  | 1   | 37 |
| 1877, -                            | 13,540,615                                   | 877,422                                 | 405,735  | 102,227  | 10,035   | 128,644  | 132,665   | 700,236  | 141,076  | 4,238  | 12,129   | 44,070   | 12,204   | 11,020   | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | 59,492   | 1   | 61 |
| 1878, -                            | 13,607,347                                   | 941,538                                 | 445,634  | 110,415  | 10,050   | 122,479  | 143,020   | 845,603  | 144,912  | 6,205  | 12,997   | 49,137   | 35,445   | 12,001   | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | 10,206   | 1   | 74 |
| 1879, -                            | 13,630,913                                   | 1,011,301                               | 443,896  | 117,275  | 11,730   | 122,130  | 142,076   | 847,955  | 145,030  | 8,340  | 12,696   | 50,767   | 29,305   | 12,619   | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | 12,152   | 1   | 73 |
| 1880, -                            | 13,670,454                                   | 1,025,560                               | 481,719  | 133,536  | 12,019   | 133,383  | 143,239   | 879,967  | 183,375  | 5,749  | 12,618   | 51,927   | 10,939   | 13,490   | -   | -  | -  | -  | -   | -  | -  | 3,164  | 1   | 44 |

Hence it will be seen that while the total expenditure of Poor Rates, for all purposes, viz.: relief, medical relief, burial-grounds registration of births, deaths, and marriages, sanitary measures, expenses under Superannuation Acts, payments under Cattle Disease Acts, and under National School Teachers Act, was, in 1879, £1,119,735, making a poundage of 1s. 7½d. on the valuation. The expenditure in 1880 for those purposes was £1,187,248, thus showing an increase in the total expenditure of £67,493, and making a poundage of the expenditure on the valuation of 1s. 8½d.

The current Sanitary Expenditure for the year was £51,927, in comparison with £50,767 in the previous year.

#### MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT, AND VACCINATION ACTS.

23. We next submit to your Excellency the report of our proceedings under these Acts of Parliament for the year ended 30th September, 1880.

The annexed table exhibits, in the usual form, the progress and fluctuations of the medical relief afforded under the Medical Charities Act, for each year of the twelve years ended 30th September, 1880, in each province, and for the whole of Ireland.

The cases are distinguished, as usual, into those prescribed for at the Dispensaries, and those attended at the patients' houses, each class of cases occupying a separate column.

In Ulster there has been an increase of 9,627 cases prescribed for at the Dispensaries, and an increase of 1,813 of those attended at their own houses.

In Munster there has been an increase of 8,847 cases prescribed for at the Dispensaries, and of 5,736 of those attended at their own houses.

In Leinster there has been an increase of 2,241 cases prescribed for at the Dispensaries, but a decrease of 2,373 of those attended at their own houses.

In Connaught there has been an increase of 7,198 cases prescribed for at the Dispensaries, and an increase of 4,066 of those attended at their own houses.

The last three columns in the Table show a net increase of 37,155 cases for all Ireland, including both classes, as compared with previous year.

SUMMARY OF THE NUMBER OF CASES OF MEDICAL RELIEF AFFORDED UNDER THE MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT.

| Period.                      | Provost or Ulster.     |                      |         | Provost or Munster.    |                      |         | Provost or Leinster.   |                      |         | Provost or Connaught.  |                      |        | Total from Ireland.    |                      |         |
|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|----------------------|--------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|
|                              | Dispensary<br>Tickets. | Visiting<br>Tickets. | Total.  | Dispensary<br>Tickets. | Visiting<br>Tickets. | Total.  | Dispensary<br>Tickets. | Visiting<br>Tickets. | Total.  | Dispensary<br>Tickets. | Visiting<br>Tickets. | Total. | Dispensary<br>Tickets. | Visiting<br>Tickets. | Total.  |
| Year ended 30th Sept., 1869. | (1.)                   | (2.)                 | (3.)    | (4.)                   | (5.)                 | (6.)    | (7.)                   | (8.)                 | (9.)    | (10.)                  | (11.)                | (12.)  | (13.)                  | (14.)                | (15.)   |
| 1870,                        | 129,563                | 58,988               | 187,571 | 185,463                | 55,836               | 230,319 | 190,176                | 62,895               | 252,271 | 77,309                 | 10,553               | 95,866 | 579,320                | 115,797              | 775,927 |
| "                            | 127,974                | 52,922               | 180,896 | 182,408                | 57,313               | 230,221 | 182,152                | 64,864               | 237,316 | 75,309                 | 20,601               | 90,691 | 581,224                | 204,209              | 784,424 |
| "                            | 110,382                | 55,009               | 165,391 | 174,791                | 55,668               | 231,359 | 180,001                | 64,103               | 244,163 | 71,906                 | 19,063               | 90,391 | 517,491                | 135,784              | 711,275 |
| "                            | 115,208                | 56,169               | 171,377 | 159,221                | 65,327               | 224,745 | 103,046                | 63,334               | 238,230 | 68,375                 | 20,779               | 80,634 | 513,170                | 216,559              | 724,029 |
| "                            | 114,430                | 53,412               | 167,942 | 163,933                | 59,439               | 213,392 | 108,575                | 60,207               | 220,732 | 62,378                 | 13,571               | 61,947 | 569,577                | 191,649              | 692,936 |
| "                            | 115,057                | 55,257               | 170,314 | 153,074                | 51,028               | 204,903 | 108,570                | 60,577               | 226,447 | 63,326                 | 17,673               | 61,001 | 561,027                | 180,138              | 697,165 |
| "                            | 116,536                | 65,456               | 179,982 | 150,109                | 54,704               | 205,313 | 108,164                | 61,344               | 230,063 | 60,321                 | 18,038               | 70,979 | 455,530                | 166,882              | 614,192 |
| "                            | 110,595                | 50,259               | 160,854 | 145,249                | 54,477               | 190,826 | 106,391                | 61,078               | 227,412 | 69,051                 | 17,507               | 76,553 | 451,531                | 180,419              | 670,750 |
| "                            | 110,592                | 55,997               | 165,589 | 139,711                | 52,229               | 191,931 | 108,194                | 59,415               | 217,690 | 57,106                 | 16,143               | 73,949 | 463,573                | 184,475              | 650,048 |
| "                            | 110,845                | 55,367               | 172,010 | 144,906                | 57,662               | 202,570 | 106,293                | 62,579               | 220,615 | 55,639                 | 17,460               | 73,119 | 492,146                | 152,868              | 676,314 |
| "                            | 118,606                | 59,633               | 178,239 | 157,041                | 56,844               | 183,835 | 138,971                | 61,243               | 225,914 | 56,659                 | 16,239               | 74,918 | 471,277                | 200,579              | 672,256 |
| "                            | 128,250                | 61,446               | 189,679 | 145,308                | 62,506               | 204,463 | 161,213                | 63,879               | 225,982 | 63,837                 | 22,255               | 88,183 | 499,190                | 210,221              | 709,411 |

## VACCINATION.

24. In the following table are shown the number of cases of vaccination in each year from 1855 to 1880; the compulsory Act having been passed in 1864:—

TABLE.

| Year ended Sept. 30th, 1856, | Number of Cases of Vaccination, | Year ended Sept. 30th, 1863, | Number of Cases of Vaccination, |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| " "                          | 46,711                          | " "                          | 131,426                         |
| " "                          | 1856, . 84,131                  | " "                          | 1669, . 125,672                 |
| " "                          | 1857, . 47,855                  | " "                          | 1870, . 140,229                 |
| " "                          | 1858, . 54,984                  | " "                          | 1871, . 179,809                 |
| " "                          | 1859, . 140,411                 | " "                          | 1872, . 252,484                 |
| " "                          | 1860, . 107,305                 | " "                          | 1873, . 138,873                 |
| " "                          | 1861, . 90,256                  | " "                          | 1874, . 159,587                 |
| " "                          | 1862, . 89,813                  | " "                          | 1875, . 137,340                 |
| " "                          | 1863, . 106,510                 | " "                          | 1876, . 114,467                 |
| " "                          | 1864, . 191,810                 | " "                          | 1877, . 117,679                 |
| " "                          | 1865, . 169,142                 | " "                          | 1878, . 133,045                 |
| " "                          | 1866, . 137,124                 | " "                          | 1879, . 125,911                 |
| " "                          | 1867, . 125,741                 | " "                          | 1880, . 147,828                 |

The next table presents the record of the vaccinations performed at the Dispensaries and Vaccination Stations since 1864, distinguishing the cases of children born since January, 1864, from those of persons born before that time, the former being liable to, the latter exempt from, compulsory vaccination.

TOTALS for Ireland of Number of Cases of Vaccination performed during the Years ended September 30th.

| Years | Cases of Children born since January 1st, 1864. | Other Cases. | Totals. |
|-------|---|--------------|---------|
| 1865, | 97,160  | 71,902       | 169,142 |
| 1866, | 104,730   | 82,384       | 187,124 |
| 1867, | 107,473   | 18,208       | 125,741 |
| 1868, | 116,613   | 12,813       | 131,426 |
| 1869, | 117,912   | 7,760        | 125,672 |
| 1870, | 135,057   | 5,163        | 140,229 |
| 1871, | 130,053   | 40,836       | 179,809 |
| 1872, | 142,662   | 129,822      | 252,484 |
| 1873, | 119,819   | 19,554       | 138,873 |
| 1874, | 118,357   | 20,259       | 159,587 |
| 1875, | 118,675   | 17,665       | 137,340 |
| 1876, | 112,409   | 1,366        | 114,467 |
| 1877, | 115,190   | 2,469        | 117,679 |
| 1878, | 122,149   | 10,896       | 133,045 |
| 1879, | 118,427   | 6,464        | 125,911 |
| 1880, | 130,413   | 9,415        | 147,828 |

The following table contains a summary of the total number of cases of vaccination during the year ending 30th September, 1880, the cases being classified under the headings, "under one

year old when vaccinated," "above one year old," and "other persons."

|                   | Children Born since<br>1st January, 1864.    |  | Other<br>Persons. | Total.  |
|-------------------|--|--|-------------------|---------|
|                   | Under<br>one year old<br>when<br>Vaccinated. | Above<br>one year old<br>when<br>Vaccinated. |                   |         |
| Total of Ireland, | 116,462                                      | 22,011                                       | 8,413             | 147,886 |

The following are the totals under each of the above headings for the previous year ended 30th September, 1879 :—

|        |        |       |         |
|--------|--------|-------|---------|
| 85,062 | 23,365 | 8,484 | 126,911 |
|--------|--------|-------|---------|

It will be observed that there is an increase in the total number of cases vaccinated and revaccinated in all Ireland of 20,835 cases.

There were 140,469 births registered in the year 1876, 139,659 in the year 1877, 134,370 in the year 1878, 135,408 in the year 1879, and 128,010 in the year 1880. The number of children vaccinated yearly in those years, and coming under the provisions of the Compulsory Vaccination Act, are returned as 112,489; 115,190; 122,149; 118,427, and 138,413, respectively, showing during the year, ended September 30th, 1880, a decrease in the number of births of 7,398, but an increase of 19,986 in the number of children vaccinated as compared with the previous year.

#### COW-POX INSTITUTION.

25. During the year ended 31st of March, 1881, 3,255 applications have been received from Medical Officers of Workhouses and Dispensaries, and other public institutions; from Military Medical Officers stationed in Ireland, and from private practitioners, for lymph, and 17,139 points, and 3,773 tubes charged with lymph were distributed. During the same period 2,138 vaccinations have been performed at the Cow-pox Institution, Sackville-street, and the branch in York-street, Dublin.

A copy of a circular which we have issued, dated the 30th of August last, forwarding to the several Medical Officers an instructional memorandum containing our views as to the manner in which vaccination should be performed, will be found in the appendix.

## SMALL-POX.

26. The number of deaths in Workhouses from small-pox, and the number of cases of the disease treated by Dispensary Medical Officers for each of the last seventeen years are given in the following table:—

DEATHS IN WORKHOUSES FROM SMALL-POX, AND NUMBER OF CASES OF SMALL-POX TREATED BY DISPENSARY MEDICAL OFFICERS.

| Deaths In Workhouses from Small-pox. |                   | Number of Cases of Small-pox treated by Medical Officers of Dispensary Districts. |                  |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---|------------------|
| Period.<br>52 Weeks ended            | Number of Deaths. | Period,<br>52 Weeks ended   | Number of Cases. |
| 11th February, 1863, . . .           | 145               | 30th September, 1864, . . .   | 1,965            |
| 10th February, 1865, . . .           | 59                | 30th September, 1865, . . .   | 2,000            |
| 9th February, 1867, . . .            | 9                 | 30th September, 1866, . . .   | 573              |
| 8th February, 1868, . . .            | 5                 | 30th September, 1867, . . .   | 105              |
| 6th February, 1869, . . .            | 3                 | 30th September, 1868, . . .   | 155              |
| 5th February, 1870, . . .            | 1                 | 30th September, 1869, . . .   | 27               |
| 4th February, 1871, . . .            | 13                | 30th September, 1870, . . .   | 51               |
| 3rd February, 1872, . . .            | 462               | 30th September, 1871, . . .   | 773              |
| 1st February, 1873, . . .            | 677               | 30th September, 1872, . . .   | 10,317           |
| 31st January, 1874, . . .            | 130               | 30th September, 1873, . . .   | 935              |
| 30th January, 1875, . . .            | 142               | 30th September, 1874, . . .   | 561              |
| 29th January, 1876, . . .            | 41                | 30th September, 1875, . . .   | 801              |
| 27th January, 1877, . . .            | 2                 | 30th September, 1876, . . .   | 29               |
| 26th January, 1878, . . .            | 12                | 30th September, 1877, . . .   | 117              |
| 25th January, 1879, . . .            | 254               | 30th September, 1878, . . .   | 1,239            |
| 24th January, 1880, . . .            | 112               | 30th September, 1879, . . .   | 1,244            |
| 22nd January, 1881, . . .            | 97                | 30th September, 1880, . . .   | 863              |

The following table shows in each Province where the disease prevailed to the greatest extent, and the quarters of the year when it most prevailed:—

SUMMARY OF SMALL-POX CASES ATTENDED BY DISPENSARY MEDICAL OFFICERS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1880,—TAKEN FROM THEIR QUARTERLY RETURNS.

| PROVINCES.           | Quarter,<br>31st Dec.,<br>1879. | Quarter,<br>31st Mar.,<br>1880. | Quarter,<br>30th June,<br>1880. | Quarter,<br>30th Sept.,<br>1880. | Total. |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|
| Ulster, . . .        | 20                              | 48                              | 68                              | 10                               | 146    |
| Munster, . . .       | 1                               | 1                               | 9                               | 4                                | 15     |
| Leinster, . . .      | 149                             | 102                             | 356                             | 83                               | 701    |
| Connacht, . . .      | —                               | 3                               | 1                               | —                                | 4      |
| Total Ireland, . . . | 161                             | 164                             | 431                             | 107                              | 803    |

## REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S RETURNS.

Number of DEATHS from SMALL-POX during the year ended 31st December, 1880, abstracted from the Quarterly Returns of the Registrar-General.

| PROVINCES.             | 1st Quarter,<br>31st Mar.,<br>1880. | 2nd Quarter,<br>30th June,<br>1880. | 3rd Quarter,<br>30th Sept.,<br>1880. | 4th Quarter,<br>31st Dec.,<br>1880. | Total. |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Ulster, . . .          | 19                                  | 23                                  | 9                                    | -                                   | 51     |
| Munster, . . .         | -                                   | 1                                   | 1                                    | -                                   | 3      |
| Leinster, . . .        | 74                                  | 158                                 | 66                                   | 17                                  | 315    |
| Connaught, . . .       | 1                                   | -                                   | -                                    | -                                   | 1      |
| Total Ireland, . .     | 94                                  | 187                                 | 76                                   | 17                                  | 369    |
| Total Ireland, 1879, . | 384                                 | 153                                 | 84                                   | 90                                  | 661    |

27. The returns of "cases" taken from the particulars supplied by Medical Officers of Dispensary Districts, represent the extent of the disease among patients attended under the Medical Charities Act, while the return of "deaths" has reference to the information supplied to the Registrar-General, which embraces also the cases treated in private practice.

The deaths in Workhouses in 1880, are less by fifteen than the number in 1879. The number of cases treated in Dispensary Districts under the Medical Charities Act being 481 less than in the previous year.

The total mortality in the whole is 369 in 1880, as compared with 661 in 1879.

The return above given of the cases in the several provinces shows that the disease was most prevalent, as in the previous two years, in the province of Leinster. It has continued during the years 1878-9 and 1880 as an epidemic in Dublin, though not to so great an extent as in the year 1879, and there has been latterly a marked diminution in the number of cases, only two remaining on the 31st March.

The following table shows the Unions where the disease principally appeared, so far as is shown by the Dispensary Returns for the year 1880:—

| UNIONS.              | Quarter<br>ended<br>31st March. | Quarter<br>ended<br>30th June. | Quarter<br>ended<br>30th Sept. | Quarter<br>ended<br>31st Dec. | Total. |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Ballymena, . . .     | 30                              | 34                             | 4                              | .                             | 68     |
| Belfast, . . .       | 10                              | 7                              | 3                              | 1                             | 21     |
| Dublin, North, . . . | 36                              | 148                            | 39                             | 6                             | 229    |
| Dublin, South, . . . | 50                              | 140                            | 41                             | 2                             | 233    |
| Enniskillen, . . .   | 1                               | 21                             | 6                              | .                             | 23     |
| Forscetown, . . .    | -                               | 50                             | 6                              | .                             | 56     |

A report which we have received on the subject from Dr. MacCabe, the Inspector of the district in which the Dublin Unions are comprised, will be found in the appendix.

## FEVER IN DISPENSARY DISTRICTS.

28. The following is a return of the number of cases of fever reported as attended by the Medical Officers of Dispensary Districts during each of the sixteen years ended 30th September, 1880, beginning with 26,566 cases of attack in 1865, and ending with 11,211 in 1880;—

| Year ended | Number of Cases. | Decrease per Year. | Increase. |
|------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1865,      | 26,566           | —                  | —         |
| 1866,      | 22,207           | 4,279              | —         |
| 1867,      | 18,975           | 3,312              | —         |
| 1868,      | 17,490           | 1,575              | —         |
| 1869,      | 16,802           | 518                | —         |
| 1870,      | 15,744           | 1,138              | —         |
| 1871,      | 15,574           | 170                | —         |
| 1872,      | 15,604           | —                  | 30        |
| 1873,      | 14,454           | 1,150              | —         |
| 1874,      | 14,434           | 30                 | —         |
| 1875,      | 13,280           | 1,144              | —         |
| 1876,      | 11,646           | 1,634              | —         |
| 1877,      | 11,396           | 250                | —         |
| 1878,      | 10,945           | 451                | —         |
| 1879,      | 10,599           | —                  | 54        |
| 1880,      | 11,211           | —                  | 212       |

There were 2,986 deaths from the disease in the year, embracing patients treated in private practice as well as dispensary cases.

Scarlatina was much more prevalent than in 1879. There were 4,835 cases treated by Medical Officers of Dispensary Districts in 1880, against 3,008 in 1879, being an increase of 1,827. There were 663 cases of this disease in Ulster, 2,234 in Munster, 1,792 in Leinster, and 146 in Connnaught.

A copy of a circular which we issued on the 24th June last, requesting special reports from Medical Officers in the event of disease threatening to become epidemic, will be found in the appendix.

## MEDICAL CHARITIES EXPENDITURE.

29. The next table gives the expenditure under the Medical Charities and Vaccination Acts for the last twelve years, ended 29th September, 1880.

## MEDICAL CHARITIES EXPENDITURE, Years ended 29th September.

| Year. | Ulster. | Munster. | Leinster. | Connacht. | Total.  |
|-------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
|       | £       | £        | £         | £         | £       |
| 1869, | 34,623  | 35,545   | 36,624    | 16,825    | 123,718 |
| 1870, | 36,464  | 37,686   | 38,130    | 17,636    | 129,836 |
| 1871, | 36,681  | 38,862   | 41,151    | 18,111    | 135,005 |
| 1872, | 38,508  | 41,378   | 42,480    | 18,884    | 141,648 |
| 1873, | 38,893  | 40,061   | 42,061    | 18,135    | 139,170 |
| 1874, | 40,334  | 39,622   | 41,953    | 19,013    | 140,922 |
| 1875, | 39,632  | 40,029   | 41,743    | 19,849    | 141,452 |
| 1876, | 40,032  | 39,504   | 42,828    | 19,099    | 141,453 |
| 1877, | 39,388  | 38,063   | 43,342    | 18,703    | 141,076 |
| 1878, | 39,584  | 42,274   | 44,030    | 19,024    | 144,912 |
| 1879, | 40,283  | 40,657   | 44,860    | 20,230    | 146,030 |
| 1880, | 43,388  | 43,169   | 45,505    | 21,114    | 153,575 |

And the following shows in more detail, and under the usual heads a comparative statement of the expenditure for the two years ended September 29th, 1879 and 1880, respectively:—

## MEDICAL CHARITIES EXPENDITURE.

|   | 1879.    | 1880.    |
|---|----------|----------|
|   | <i>£</i> | <i>£</i> |
| 1. Medicines and medical appliances,                    | 25,901   | 27,003   |
| 2. Rent of Dispensary buildings,                        | 8,213    | 8,189    |
| 3. Books, forms, stationery, printing, and advertising, | 1,211    | 1,101    |
| 4. Salaries of Medical Officers,<br>{ Apothecaries,     | 88,640   | 88,923   |
| 5. Fuel, porters, and incidental expenses,              | 2,754    | 3,700    |
|   | 11,547   | 11,253   |

## EXPENSES UNDER VACCINATION ACTS:

|  |                 |                 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| c. Vaccination fees and other expenses:— |                 |                 |
| Fees to Medical Officers,                | 6,639           | 13,140          |
| Other expenses,                          | 1,125           | 1,067           |
| Total, . . . . .                         | <i>£146,030</i> | <i>£150,375</i> |

## PROVIDING DISPENSARY-HOUSES AND DWELLING-HOUSES.

30. In connexion with the administration of the Medical Charities Act we refer here, in continuation of our previous report, to the "Act to give facilities for providing Dispensary-houses and Dwelling-houses for Medical Officers of Dispensary Districts in certain parts of Ireland," which received the Royal Assent on the 21st of July, 1879.

A general disposition continues to be shown to take advantage of the provisions of the Act and proceedings under it are still pending in several cases.

Since our last Annual Report certificates have been issued under the Act in the following Unions:—

| Abbeyleix Union, | Ballinakill Dispensary District. |
|------------------|----------------------------------|
| Ballins          | Cressmolina "                    |
| Ballyshannon     | Belleek "                        |
| Celbridge        | Lucan "                          |
| Dunmanway        | Coolmountain "                   |
| Edenderry        | Rhode "                          |
| Irrinacstown     | Edernay "                        |
| Listowel         | Ballyduff "                      |
| Lurgan           | Waringstown "                    |
| Midleton         | Midleton (1) "                   |
| Rathkeale        | Pallaskeery "                    |
| Tralee           | Ardert "                         |

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS.

*Provisional Orders, &c.*

31. Since the date of our last Report we have issued the following provisional Orders:—

A provisional Order, dated 29th April, 1880, to transfer the powers of the Grand Jury of the county of Kerry, with respect to roads, bridges, footpaths, and public works within the urban sanitary district of the town of Tralee, to the Urban Sanitary Authority of Tralee.

A provisional Order, dated 5th May, 1880, allowing the Guardians of the Poor of Kilkeel union, as the Rural Sanitary Authority, to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required for an improved supply of water for the town and village of Ros-trevor.

A provisional Order, dated 7th May, 1880, enabling the Guardians of the Poor of Longford union, acting as the Burial Board of Longford union, to put in force the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required for the enlargement of the burial ground of Ballymacormick in Longford union.

A provisional Order, dated 10th May, 1880, empowering the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Clonmel, being the Urban Sanitary Authority, to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required for a quarry to obtain materials for repairing and maintaining the streets of the borough.

A provisional Order, dated 10th May, 1880, empowering the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Clonmel, being the Urban Sanitary Authority, to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with reference to certain lands required for a place for depositing temporarily street scrapings and other matters collected in cleaning the streets.

A provisional Order, dated 19th May, 1880, authorising the Town Commissioners of Wicklow, being the Urban Sanitary Authority, to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, in reference to certain lands and premises required for water works for the purpose of supplying the urban sanitary district with water.

A provisional Order, dated 27th May, 1880, empowering the Town Commissioners of Fermoy, being the Urban Sanitary Authority, to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with reference to certain lands required for the purpose of works for supplying the Fermoy sanitary district with water for drinking and domestic purposes.

A provisional Order, dated the 5th June, 1880, empowering the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the city of Dublin, acting by the Town Council, being the Urban Sanitary Authority, to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands and premises required for the purpose of making a new street from Great Brunswick-street to Townsend-street, and to widen, open, enlarge, and improve Shoe-lane and George's-street in the said city.

A provisional Order, dated the 19th June, 1880, confirming a scheme made, in pursuance of the Artisans and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Dublin, acting by the Town Council, being the Local Authority for the urban sanitary district of Dublin, for the improvement of an unhealthy area called "The Plunkett-street Area," within the said city.

A provisional Order, dated the 29th June, 1880, empowering the Town Commissioners of Armagh, being the Urban Sanitary Authority of the urban sanitary district, consisting of the town of Armagh, to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with reference to certain lands, lands covered with water, and right to take and convey water required for the purpose of constructing works for the purpose of supplying the district with water for drinking and domestic purposes.

A provisional Order, dated 11th November, 1880, separating the town of Navan from the rural sanitary district, consisting of the Navan poor law union, and constituting it an urban sanitary district.

A provisional Order, dated 8th December, 1880, separating the Town of Clonakilty from the rural sanitary district, consisting of the Clonakilty poor law union, and constituting it an urban sanitary district.

A provisional Order dated 16th December, 1880, separating the Town of Dromore from the rural sanitary district of Banbridge poor law union, and constituting it an urban sanitary district.

In the following cases we have received petitions for provisional Orders, but the proceedings preparatory to the issue of the Orders have not yet terminated.

*Bandon Union.*—To put in force the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, in regard to lands required for works for an improved supply of water for the town of Bandon.

*Town of Cavan.*—To separate the town of Cavan from the rural sanitary district of Cavan Union, and constitute it an urban sanitary authority.

*Town of Ballymena.*—To put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, with regard to lands and hereditaments required, with a view to providing the Town and District

of Ballymena with a supply of water for public and private purposes.

*Cork Union.*—To put in force the powers of the Land Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required for works for providing the District of Little Island with water.

*Town of Dundalk.*—To put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required with a view to providing the Town of Dundalk with an improved supply of water.

*Town of Letterkenny.*—To separate the town of Letterkenny from the rural sanitary district of Letterkenny Union, and to constitute it an urban sanitary district.

*Mullingar Union.*—To put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands, otherwise than by agreement, with reference to certain lands required for works for providing the town and manor district of Mullingar with water, for public and private purposes, and for improved drainage and sewerage of the said town, manor, and district of Mullingar.

*Rathdown Union.*—To put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, with reference to certain lands required for works for providing the village and district of Enniskerry with water.

*Roscommon Union.*—To put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required for works for the sewerage of the village of Athleague.

*Town of Youghal.*—To transfer the powers of the Grand Jury of the county of Cork with respect to roads, bridges, footpaths and public works, within the urban sanitary district of the town of Youghal to the urban sanitary authority of Youghal.

*Town of Clonmel.*—To adjust certain matters of charge and account between the urban sanitary authority of Clonmel and the Grand Jury of the South Riding of Tipperary arising out of the transfer of the powers of the Grand Jury in relation to roads, bridges, footpaths and public works within the Borough of Clonmel from the Grand Jury to the urban sanitary authority of Clonmel.

*Belmullet Union.*—To put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required with a view to works for providing a supply of water for Belmullet.

*Ballina Union.*—To put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts, with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, with respect to certain lands required with a view to works for providing a supply of water for the town of Ballina.

## BYE-LAWS.

Bye-laws have been submitted to and confirmed by us as follows, in pursuance of the provisions contained in section 221 of the Public Health Act, 1878 :—

Relating to waterworks in the town of Dungannon.

Amended regulation in relation to water-supply in the town of Coleraine.

Holywood Town :—

Relating to I. Streets and buildings.

" II. Slaughter-houses ; and

" III. Common lodging-houses.

City of Dublin :—

I. With respect to the cleansing of footways and pavements, earth closets, privies, ash-pits, cesspools, and the removal of house refuse.

II. With respect to nuisances arising from snow, filth, dust, ashes, and rubbish ; and for the preventing the keeping of animals.

III. Regulations relative to common lodging-houses.

IV. " " new streets and buildings.

V. " " houses and parts of houses (other than common lodging-houses) let in lodgings.

VI. " " the keeping of animals.

Rathmines and Rathgar Township.—With respect to the cleansing of footways and pavements, the prevention of nuisances ; new buildings ; drainage of buildings, water closets, privies, ash-pits, and cesspools ; level of new streets ; and slaughter-houses.

Drogheda Town.—Regulating fairs.

Dungannon Union.—Common lodging-houses.

## BURIAL GROUNDS.

Orders have been made and gazetted prohibiting further interments in the burial grounds named hereunder :—

1. St. Paul's, city of Dublin.
2. Old Church, Queenstown, Cork Union.
3. Dunlavin, Baltinglass Union.

These Orders were made subject to certain exceptions mentioned therein, and we retain power to grant licences for burial in certain cases, from time to time, if it should appear to us expedient to do so.

## PUBLIC HEALTH.

32. Our Report upon Public Health is continued from 30th and subsequent paragraphs of the last annual Report, in which details were given of the operations in regard to sewerage and water-supply, under the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1878, in continuation of the detail of proceedings under the Act of 1874.

The extent of the operations relating to sewerage and water-supply is still in some degree measured in Rural Districts by the number of the Orders under seal, fixing the area of charge for each such operation, together with the loans borrowed for these purposes through the Public Works Commissioners.

In the year 1875-76 the number of such Orders was 79; in 1876-77 it was 89; in 1877-78 it was 122; in 1878-79 it was 117; and in 1879-80 it was 126. From 25th March, 1880, to the 25th March, 1881, the number of additional Orders of Charge has been 103, issued to 68 different Unions.

On the whole, therefore, 636 Orders, fixing areas of charge for sewerage or water-supply, or both, have been issued during the last six years.

These Orders have been applied for by 155 different Boards of Guardians out of 163 acting for Rural Sanitary Districts.

The number of Rural Sanitary Districts in which no such Orders have been issued is now reduced from 9 to 8, viz., the Unions of Ballymena, Castleblayney, Dundalk, Dunfanaghy, Ennis, Galway, Londonderry, and Oughterard.

The preceding statements relate to Rural Sanitary Districts only, Orders fixing areas of charge not being applicable to Urban Sanitary Districts, inasmuch as in such districts all sanitary expenses are chargeable upon funds levied from the whole district.

33. In both Urban and Rural Sanitary Districts a considerable part of the expenditure on sewerage and water-supply is carried out by means of loans which, on recommendation from the Local Government Board, are issued to the Sanitary Authority in each case by the Public Works Commissioners for Ireland.

In the year ended 31st March, 1876, loans were so recommended to the extent of £37,584; in the following year to the further amount of £41,085; in the year ended 31st March, 1878, to the amount of £62,056; in the year ended 31st March, 1879, to the amount of £124,454; and in the year ended 31st March, 1880, to £292,824, making a total of £558,003, in the course of the five years.

The following is a List of Loans sanctioned by the Local Government Board, Ireland, from the 31st March, 1880, to the 31st March, 1881.

LIST OF LOANS sanctioned by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, IRELAND,  
from the 31st March, 1880, to the 31st March, 1881.

| Name of Sanitary District |                                      | Amount.     | Purpose.   | Date of Sanction.   |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|--|---------------------|
| Armagh,                   | Urban,                               | 8,000 0 0   | Water Works.   | 15th Sept., 1880.   |
| Athlone,                  | Rural,                               | 100 0 0     | Completing Sewerage of<br>Moats.   | 27th May, 1880.     |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 175 0 0     | Water Supply of Tureek.  | 19th August, 1880.  |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 125 0 0     | Do., do.   | 16th October, 1880. |
| Ballymena,                | Urban,                               | 9,600 0 0   | Sewerage Works.  | 6th November, 1880. |
| Ballyraghan,              | Rural,                               | 330 0 0     | Extension of Lisdoon-<br>varna Water Works.  | 20th May, 1880.     |
| Bantry,                   | do.,                                 | 200 0 0     | Water Supply of Bantry.  | 14th June, 1880.    |
| Belfast,                  | Urban,                               | 2,750 0 0   | Swimming Baths.  | 21st July, 1880.    |
| Belmallet,                | Rural,                               | 250 0 0     | Sewerage.  | 22nd Nov., 1880.    |
| Caherdeen,                | do.,                                 | 680 0 0     | Water Supply of Caher-<br>deen.  | 21st May, 1880.     |
| Carlow,                   | Urban,                               | 1,500 0 0   | Town Hall.   | 13th January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 500 0 0     | Market Place.  | 13th January, 1881. |
| Carrick-on-Shan.          | Rural,                               | 700 0 0     | Sewerage of Carrick-on-<br>Shannon.  | 24th January, 1880. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 60 0 0      | Sewerage of Drumshanbo.  | 3rd Sept., 1880.    |
| Clifden,                  | do.,                                 | 1,500 0 0   | Water Supply of Clifden.   | 25th Feb., 1881.    |
| Coleraine,                | do.,                                 | 600 0 0     | Water Supply of Bush-<br>mills.  | 16th April, 1880.   |
| Do.,                      | Urban,                               | 1,800 0 0   | Completing Water Works.  | 29th July, 1880.    |
| Do.,                      | Rural,                               | 2,500 0 0   | Water Supply of Port-<br>rush.   | 6th October, 1880.  |
| Cock,                     | do.,                                 | 2,000 0 0   | Funding, &c., of Burial<br>Grounds.  | 25th August, 1880.  |
| Do.,                      | Urban,                               | 2,000 0 0   | Intercepting Hospital<br>Sewer.  | 20th August, 1880.  |
| Dalkey,                   | do.,                                 | 300 0 0     | Sewerage work.   | 31st August, 1881.  |
| Downpatrick,              | Rural,                               | 450 0 0     | Sewerage of Portaferry.  | 6th August, 1880.   |
| Drumcondra,               | Clochlinie,<br>and Glasnevin, Urban, | 1,000 0 0   | Water Works.   | 31st May, 1880.     |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 6,912 16 10 | Sewerage Works.  | 31st July, 1880.    |
| Dublin, North,            | Rural,                               | 150 0 0     | Sewerage of Yellow-lane.   | 7th April, 1880.    |
| Dublin,                   | Urban,                               | 20,000 0 0  | New Street to Swivel<br>Bridge.  | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 15,000 0 0  | Improvement Scheme,<br>Artizans and Labourers<br>Dwellings Act, 1875,<br>Plunkett-street area. | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 1,000 0 0   | Urinals, &c.   | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 2,000 0 0   | Sewer Ventilators.   | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 9,500 0 0   | Paving three Streets.  | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 3,000 0 0   | Works for City Markets.  | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 10,000 0 0  | Pumping Station.   | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 7,500 0 0   | Private Improvement, .   | 25th March, 1881.   |
| Dungagvan,                | Urban,                               | 750 0 0     | Flagging, &c.  | 24th July, 1880.    |
| Dunmanway,                | Rural,                               | 200 0 0     | Sewerage of Dunmanway.   | 20th May, 1880.     |
| Easla,                    | Urban,                               | 120 0 0     | Sewerage Works.  | 20th July, 1880.    |
| Enniskillen,              | Rural,                               | 2,600 0 0   | New Cemetery for Ennis-<br>killen.   | 20th Sept., 1880.   |
| Ennistymon,               | do.,                                 | 1,266 7 0   | Water Supply of Kilfe-<br>horn.  | 10th April, 1880.   |
| Fermoy,                   | do.,                                 | 300 0 0     | Water Supply of Castle-<br>townroche.  | 13th April, 1880.   |
| Glenamaddy,               | do.,                                 | 40 10 0     | Sewerage of Kilkerrin, .   | 18th March, 1881.   |
| Gort,                     | do.,                                 | 90 0 0      | Sewerage of Kisvarra.  | 2nd April, 1880.    |
| Kenmare,                  | do.,                                 | 70 0 0      | Water Supply of Ken-<br>mare.  | 15th June, 1880.    |
| Killkeel,                 | do.,                                 | 3,000 0 0   | Water Supply of Rostre-<br>vor.  | 30th Dec., 1880.    |
| Kilmallock,               | do.,                                 | 592 0 0     | Sewerage of Kilmallock.  | 10th Nov., 1880.    |
| Do.,                      | do.,                                 | 800 0 0     | Water Supply of Killinane  | 22nd Dec., 1880.    |

LIST OF LOANS sanctioned by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, IRELAND,  
from the 31st March, 1880, to the 31st March, 1881.—continued.

| Name of Sanitary District.   | Amount.    | Purpose.   | Date of Sanction.   |
|--|------------|--|---------------------|
|  | £ s. d.    |  |                     |
| Kilrush,   | 317 0 0    | Sewerage of Carrigaholt.                           | 5th April, 1880.    |
| Do.,   | 184 0 0    | Sewerage of Kilrush.                               | 20th May, 1880.     |
| Do.,   | 111 0 0    | Sewerage of Kilrush<br>(additional loan).          | 15th October, 1880. |
| Do.,   | 92 0 0     | Do., do.   | 3rd Dec., 1880.     |
| Do.,   | 1,600 0 0  | Sewerage of Kilkeel.                               | 3rd Dec., 1880.     |
| Do.,   | 249 0 0    | Sewerage of Kilrush.                               | 5th March, 1881.    |
| Do.,   | 131 3 0    | Sewerage of Mullagh.                               | 25th March, 1881.   |
| Kingstown,   | 2,600 0 0  | To complete Townhall<br>and Courthouse.            | 24th August, 1880.  |
| Limerick,  | 415 0 0    | Sewerage of Caheronish.                            | 6th August, 1880.   |
| Do.,   | 265 0 0    | Sewerage of Cappamore.                             | 6th August, 1880.   |
| Do.,   | 360 0 0    | Castleconnell Cemetery.                            | 16th Nov., 1880.    |
| Do.,   | 151 0 0    | Sewerage of Sixmile-<br>bridge.                    | 28th January, 1881. |
| Do.,   | 9 0 0      | Do. (additional loan).                             | 22nd Feb., 1881.    |
| Lisburn,   | 1,200 0 0  | Sewerage Works.                                    | 11th August, 1880.  |
| Listowel,  | 418 0 0    | Sewerage Works and<br>erecting a Pump at<br>Dungh. | 30th October, 1880. |
| Do.,   | 75 0 0     | Sanitary Works at Bally-<br>longford.              | 12th Nov., 1880.    |
| Do.,   | 94 0 0     | Sewerage of Ballybun-<br>ion.                      | 31st Dec., 1880.    |
| Do.,   | 351 0 0    | Water-side Water Works.                            | 6th October, 1880.  |
| London-derry,  | 1,820 0 0  | Repairs of Major's Well.                           | 9th Dec., 1880.     |
| Longford,  | 102 0 0    | Enlarging Ballymaccor-<br>mick Burial Ground.      | 3rd Dec., 1880.     |
| Do.,   | 250 0 0    | Sewerage of Woodford.                              | 23rd April, 1880.   |
| Longford,  | 400 0 0    | Water Supply of Great-<br>hill.                    | 1st October, 1880.  |
| Do.,   | 150 0 0    | Sewerage of Buttevant.                             | 18th Sept., 1880.   |
| Mallow,  | 90 0 0     | Water Supply of Cloyne.                            | 20th May, 1880.     |
| Midleton,  | 150 13 6   | Water Supply of Rath-<br>mullen.                   | 9th June, 1880.     |
| Milford,   | 100 0 0    | Water Supply of Rath-<br>melton.                   | 6th July, 1880.     |
| Do.,   | 2,700 0 0  | Water Supply of Rath-<br>melton.                   | 20th October, 1880. |
| Newcastle,   | 100 0 0    | Water Supply of Knocka-<br>derry.                  | 8th Dec., 1880.     |
| Do.,   | 545 0 0    | Abbeyfeale Water Works.                            | 8th June, 1880.     |
| New Ross,  | 2,260 0 0  | Labourers' Dwellings.                              | 10th October, 1880. |
| Omagh,   | 2,500 0 0  | Storm Water Channel, &c.                           | 8th April, 1880.    |
| Parsonstown,   | 400 0 0    | Sewerage of Frankford.                             | 16th October, 1880. |
| Pembroke,  | 130 0 0    | Pipe Sewer.  | 7th January, 1881.  |
| Do.,   | 14,000 0 0 | Sewerage of Merrion-road<br>and Waterloo-road.     | 16th October, 1880. |
| Portadown,   | 800 0 0    | New Markets.                                       | 10th August, 1880.  |
| Queenstown,  | 550 0 0    | Approach to Boat Har-<br>bour.                     | 10th August, 1880.  |
| Do.,   | 150 0 0    | Disinfecting Chamber.                              | 2nd Sept., 1880.    |
| Bathkeane,   | 220 0 0    | Pallaskeery Water Works<br>(additional loan).      | 23rd Dec., 1880     |
| Do.,   | 600 0 0    | Sewerage of Bathkeane<br>(additional loan).        | 21st March, 1881.   |
| Skibbereen,  | 60 0 0     | Water Supply of Castle-<br>townsend.               | 26th July, 1880.    |
| Skule Beg, united dis- <td>500 0 0</td> <td>Sewerage and Drains of<br/>the United District.</td> <td>4th May, 1880.</td> | 500 0 0    | Sewerage and Drains of<br>the United District.     | 4th May, 1880.      |
| Sligo,   | 206 15 0   | Sewerage Works.                                    | 24th June, 1880.    |
| Do.,   | 1,573 8 11 | Do.  | 22nd January, 1881. |
| Do.,   | 28,000 0 0 | Water Works.                                       | 11th June, 1880.    |
| Strabane,  | 2,400 0 0  | Water Supply of Strabane.                          |                     |

LAST OF LOANS sanctioned by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, IRELAND, from the 31st March, 1880, to the 31st March, 1881—continued.

| Name of Sanitary District. | Amount.     | Purpose.                                | Date of Sanction.   |
|----------------------------|-------------|---|---------------------|
| Strabane, Rural,           | £ 1,050 0 0 | Sewerage of Strabane.                   | 11th June, 1880.    |
| Strokestown, do.,          | 600 0 0     | Additional Water Works.                 | 4th January, 1881.  |
| Thurles, do.,              | 150 0 0     | Water Supply of Borrisoleigh.           | 17th July, 1880.    |
| Do., do.,                  | 25 0 0      | Do., do.                                | 3rd January, 1881.  |
| Tubbercurry, do.,          | 125 0 0     | To complete Tubbercurry Sewerage Works. | 13th Sept., 1880.   |
| Tralee, do.,               | 140 0 0     | Sewerage of Castlemaine.                | 3rd June, 1880.     |
| Wexford, Urban,            | 5,000 0 0   | To complete Water Works.                | 24th June, 1880.    |
| Toughal, do.,              | 595 9 2     | Sewerage Works.                         | 17th July, 1880.    |
| Do., do.,                  | 566 13 4    | Do.                                     | 9th February, 1881. |
| Do., Rural,                | 200 0 0     | Water Supply of Kilkeagh.               | 13th January, 1881. |

The total amount of the loans included in the above list is £199,252, which, added to the previous sums, constitutes a total of £757,255, for the six years in question.

This expenditure, which is independent of disbursements from the current rates for the same purposes, relates mainly to the cost of structural works for water-supply and sewerage.

The amount of sanitary expenditure in Rural Sanitary Districts amounted in the year ended 29th September, 1880, to £51,927, in comparison with £50,767 in the preceding year.

#### ARTISANS AND LABOURERS' DWELLINGS IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1875.

34. In paragraphs 35-6 and -7 of the Annual Report for 1877, in paragraph 31 of the Report for 1879, and in paragraph 33 of the Report for 1880, an account is given of the steps which had been taken in Belfast, Dublin, and Cork, under the Artisans' Dwellings Act up to that time.

The Act is legally applicable to only five places in Ireland, namely, Dublin, Belfast, Cork, Limerick, and Londonderry.

We have obtained the following information respecting these projects from the officers of the Local Authorities concerned:—

#### BELFAST.

The Improvement scheme having been carried out the street authorised thereby has been opened up for public traffic, and the ground adjoining the street has been disposed of for building purposes.

## DUBLIN.

With respect to the three unhealthy areas with which the Corporation are dealing—

## COOMBE AREA.

The Committee have acquired possession of the several interests in this area and all claims have been satisfied. The cost of the area up to the present has been largely in excess of that estimated, arising mainly from the expensive nature of the proceedings indicated by the Act of 1875, and from the enormous sum involved, not merely in the purchase of the property, but also in the law costs connected with it. The result has been that while the roads and sewers are as yet untouched a considerable sum has been expended in levelling the ground. Nearly £20,000, the total amount of the loan granted for the clearing of this area and the Boyne street area, has been expended on the former, and a further sum of £4,000, for the loan of which application has been made, will be required for the construction of roads and sewers, and for completing the levelling of the site. The Committee have concluded an agreement with the Artisans Dwellings Company for a lease in perpetuity at an annual rent of £200, the Company undertaking to erect on it within two years 199 dwellings which will accommodate about 1,100 persons, affording therefore accommodation for a larger population than that which was disturbed, which at the period of the projection of the scheme amounted to 984 souls. The possession of the site has been given to the Company pending the execution of the lease.

## BOYNE-STREET AREA.

Through their decayed condition, all the dwellings in this area, with six exceptions, have become unsuitable for human habitation, and they have therefore been necessarily depopulated through the action of the sanitary authority. The population which at the time of the scheme amounted to ninety-five, now consists of about thirty-seven souls. The objects of the Act have therefore been thereby accomplished, and at present the Committee do no purpose taking any further action in regard to it.

## PLUNKETT-STREET AREA.

An Act confirming the Provisional Order having been obtained during the last session of Parliament, a loan of £15,000 for the purpose of clearing the area has been sanctioned by the Treasury. Pending the receipt of this sanction the Committee adopted every necessary preliminary measure towards commencing its clearing. A valuation has been made of the premises and negotiations for the purchase have been commenced. In view of the excessive costs to which the Committee were subject in carrying out the provisions of the Act in the Coombe Area, they have

availed themselves of the Artizans Dwellings Amendment Act, 1879, being desirous of testing the efficacy of this Act, and diminishing the expenses connected with the acquisition of the properties.

CORK.

There were seven areas with respect to which representations were made. The Sanitary Authority first proceeded with the first of the seven areas with respect to which representations were made, as stated in our last report. The arbitrator having made his final award in August last, possession of this area was obtained, nearly all the buildings have been since taken down and the site cleared. The Borough Surveyor has laid down a portion of the new streets and passages thereon, and also proper sewers, and it is stated that in a few months time the ground will be available for building purposes.

With reference to No. 2 area, the valuator is now engaged in making a valuation of the premises, and one of the owners has been amicably settled with and possession of his houses obtained.

LONDONDERRY.

No application has been made as yet by the Corporation of Londonderry to make use of the powers given by the Act.

LIMERICK.

The Corporation have taken no action as yet under the provisions of the Act; but the question has been under their consideration.

DEPARTMENTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

The Right Hon. William E. Forster having succeeded the Right Hon. James Lowther in the office of Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, has thereby become President of the Local Government Board.

Having received authority to employ an additional Auditor, Mr. William Gibson was appointed to the office.

We have no other changes in the department to report to your Excellency.

We have the honour to be

Your Excellency's obedient faithful servants,

W. E. FORSTER.

HENRY ROBINSON.

T. H. BURKE.

CHARLES CROKER-KING.

GEORGE MORRIS.

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